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DESCENDANTS OF NICHOLAS PRESSON

Including family names of Bunting, Freeman, Forrest, Hudgins, Moore, Morris, Phillips, Smith, Topping, Wainwright, White and many others.

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To My Mother

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(A Presson Descendant)

Who, when her own health permitted,
took on herself the burdens of others
and sought to assist and comfort them.

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Not everyone is interested in a work of this nature but it is hoped that it will be meaningful to some who read it. I feel strongly that my descendants and others should have some knowledge of their ancestors, even though most of them were plain, ordinary people.

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INTRODUCTION

Due to my interest in genealogy, I have spent many hours researching my family lineage and I feel that it is my duty to record my findings so that future generations may know "From Whence They Came."

For several years I have been trying to determine the names and ancestry of the parents of my great-grandmother Elizabeth Morris (Presson) Smith. Due to confusing wills and lack of other records this has not been an easy task. The names John, William and Robert prevailed in the Presson male lines in each generation whereas Mary, Martha, Frances & Elizabeth dominated the female lines.

It is fortunate that some old Presson documents exist in York County Records. York, unlike some area counties has most of its early records. Some counties sent their records to Richmond for safe keeping during the "War Between the States" only to have them destroyed. Excerpts copied from some old Presson wills and other documents have been included in this booklet. After one masters the art of reading the old documents they prove very interesting. Abbreviations such as JanY for January and 8ber for the month of October were used. October was the eighth month until the calendar was changed in 1752. When two S's were written together one appeared to be and "f", causing Presson to appear as Prefson.

Proving ancestry is largely a matter of review and elimination, that is the process of reviewing the available records of each potential ancestor and concentrating only on those that could possibly tie in due to their birth, marriage and death dates being in the proper time period.

My original intent was to trace lineage back as far as possible and then work out the related branches, commencing with my great-grandparents but after obtaining so much information on other distantly related Pressons decided to include some basic information on them also.

Only recently, with information provided by Mrs. Rebecca Hopkins (a Presson descendant, nearing 90 years of age) and the good fortune to have located and deciphered an old marriage agreement dating back to 1809, have I been able to conclude to my satisfaction who the elusive parents of great grandmother Elizabeth were. The information that I have gathered, as outlined in the following chapters, supports my conclusion.

Slaves were willed and sold like any other personal property and referred to in wills by such names as "my old man Jubie" or my "yellow girl Sarah." In most cases however, one is left with the impression that it was the masters desire that they be well cared for, such as an excerpt from the will of William Presson in 1817. "It is my will and desire that my old negro man Jubie and old woman Hannah be allowed to choose for themselves annually a master or mistress.

Jubie and Hannah had apparently been faithful slaves for many years and William wanted to see that they were not mistreated in their old age.

My research failed to find any senators, generals or others of high rank but if a complete genealogy could be produced from the earliest Pressons I am sure there would be some. On the other hand the records haven't shown any horse thieves, there may have been some of those also. I believe that most of them were hard working farmers, fishermen and merchants, who with thousands of others in their time, helped to forge a great nation from a wilderness.

Each ancestor played his part on the stage of life, perhaps not caring very much who his descendants may be several generations later but whose very existance made it possible for you and me to be here.

Old Presson Home Tabb, Va. Presently occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Taylor-Right wing with chimney is oldest part.

PRESSON BACKGROUND

"Presson" is one of the early family names of York County. The meaning of the name is not known but it is believed to be of Scotch-English origin. It is this writer's opinion that it is derived from the ancient English name of Preston. There is an old book in the College of William and Mary entitled: "William Preston of Newcastle-Upon Tyne" in which the author traces the name back through Noblemen and Knights in England and all the way back to the reign of Malcolm I of Scotland (A.D. 943 to 954). He states that "Before the compilation of the Domesday Book, the estates of "Preston Richard" and "Preston Patrick" appear in an ancient survey of the lands in the Shire of York."

The first Presson or Pressons to arrive in this country probably came to the Maryland Area in the early 1600's as did many of the early settlers, and descendants migrated to the Eastern Shore of Virginia and later to local areas such as York County. An early Eastern Shore record refers to a "Mr. Preeson", a mariner from Liverpool, England. Notice the variation in spelling of Presson.

In 1634 the area that we know as York County and including what is now Gloucester and Mathews and a part of Lancaster Counties was laid out as "Charles River Shire," shire being an old English name for County. The name was changed in 1642/43 to York County.

Each county was divided into parishes. Our Presson ancestors, or the majority of them, resided in Charles Parish, which comprised generally the areas that we know as Tabb, Grafton, Dare and Seaford and West to the Newport News, Line. It is hard to determine the exact boundaries. The Old Charles Parish Church Site is about 100 feet West of the Old Bethel Baptist Church Building at Tabb. The site is maintained by the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities.

Each parish was required to maintain a list of births, deaths and marriages. No marriage records have been found for Charles Parish but of great assistance to genealogists is a book entitled: "Charles Parish" by Landon C. Bell; listing births and deaths in the parish from 1648 to 1789. The register pages are not complete but without them little would be known about our ancestors in this area.

PART 1 - Chapter 1

THE FIRST FOUR GENERATIONS

Note: I, II, III & IV show generations and numbers 1,2,3, etc. identify names within the generations. (b)indicates born, (d)died and (m)married to. YC indicates York County. "No further record" after a name indicates that no other information was readily available to the writer. Thorough research of records could possibly provide more information on them.

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There are no Presson entries in the "Charles Parish Register" prior to 1690. The first listed is Nicholas Presson, spelled "Pressey." I can remember when Pressons were referred to as Mr. or Mrs. Pressey, so apparently it was pronounced that way over the years until recently. Nicholas was married twice but the maiden names of his wives are not known.

Sixty Five Presson births are listed in alphabetical order in Bell's Register between the years 1690 and 1786. An attempt has been made to reconstruct the first four generations with the limited information available; as outlined below.

I Nicholas Pressey - - - - - - - -died April 4, 1738
(m)First: Jane_____ - - - - - -died Nov. 3, 1699

Children: II-1 Elizabeth (b)Jan.11, 1690 (d)Sept. 19, 1694
II-2 Racheal (b)Aug. 20, 1693-no further record
II-3 Richard (b)Aug. 19, 1696-see 2nd. generation
II-4 John (b)Feb. 28, 1701-see note below #
II-5 Thomas (b)Dec. 7, 1703-see note below #

#John and Thomas are shown as being children of Nicholas and Jane but records show that Jane died Nov. 3, 1699, also John's date of birth would not fit in as being the second child of Nicholas and his second wife Elizabeth if their child Mary was born on Dec. 25, 1700. The entries were sometimes made quite a while after a birth and errors were made, such as listing a baptism date instead of the birth date.

Nicholas (m) second: Elizabeth ____. Their children were: (other than possibly John and Thomas shown under wife Jane)

II-6 Mary (b)Dec. 25, 1700-apparently died young since they named another daughter Mary.

II-7 William (b)Jan. 5, 1705-See under second generation
II-8 Mary (b)Sept. 24, 1707-no further record
II-9 Samuel (b)Mar. 5, 1709-(d) Sept. 15, 1717
II-10 James (b)Aug. 28, 1712-See under second generation
II-11 Robert (b)Notavailable-See second generation
II-12 Samuel (b)Oct. 15, 1717-See second generation
II-13 Daniel (b)Oct. 18, 1719-See second generation

Second Generation:

Additional information on the children of Nicholas Presson by his two wives:

II-3 Richard Presson (b)Aug. 19, 1696 (m)first: Elizabeth (maiden name unknown)-No children listed in register. He married second: Hannah _____. Four children listed:

III-1 Elizabeth (b)July 22, 1723-no further record
III-2 John (b)Nov. 15, 1725-no further record
III-3 Hannah (b)Nov. 30, 1730-no further record
III-4 Thomas (b)Sept. 12, 1733-no further record

II-4* John Presson (b)Feb. 28, 1701 (m)Elizabeth whose maiden name is not known. She died Aug. 8, 1743-Children:

III-5 Elizabeth (b)Aug. 13, 1725 (d)Dec. 23, 1725
III-6 Elizabeth (b)Sept. 23, 1726 (m)Anthony Lamb
III-7 Mary (b)Sept. 12, 1730 (m)William Marrow
III-8 Margaret (b)Dec. 13, 1732 (d)July 14, 1738
III-9 William (b)July 3, 1737-see third generation
III-10 Martha (b)Dec. 11, 1741 (m)_____Colbert

*John Presson's Will, probated Dec. 21, 1767 named "son William Presson, Dau. Mary Marrow, Dau. Martha Colbert, Grand-daughter, Elizabeth Lamb, Son-in-Law William Marrow." Witnessed by C. Clausel, William Minson and William Baley.

II-5 Thomas Presson (b)Dec. 7, 1703 (m) Margaret whose maiden name is not known. She died March 31, 1781. Children:

III-11 Samuel (b)July 27, 1734 (d)Nov. 7, 1751
III-12 Thomas (b)Dec. 20, 1740/41-see third generation
III-13 Mary (b)Jan. 31, 1742-no further record
III-14 Anne (b)Nov. 11, 1746 (d)Sept. 16, 1770
III-15 Rachel (b)Feb. 24, 1745 (d)Sept. 28, 1750

Thomas Presson, Sr. died Oct. 28, 1785. The following excerpts from a deed are shown as a matter of interest since Pressons and Drewrys inter-married:

"Deed___July 1730 - John Drewry of Charles Parish sold to Thomas Presson, 27 acres in Charles Parish, on the main road leading from Hayward's Mill to Finche's Dam to Calthrop's line, being part of a tract of 50 acres on which John Drewry, grandfather of the said John Drewry bought of Enos Mackentosh from a grant to John Drewry, the father of the said John Drewry, bearing date___Dec. MDCCXIV (1714).

II-7 William Presson (b)Jan. 5, 1705 (m)Mary - maiden name unknown. Their children:

III-16 Dorithy (b)Sept. 7, 1731-no further record
III-17 Mary (b)Oct. 28, 1734-no further record
III-18 Robert (b)Feb. 22, 1737-see third generation
III-19James (b)not listed in register but referred to in will of his brother, III-18 Robert.

II-10 James Presson (b)Aug. 28, 1712-No descendants known. His will, probated Nov. 19, 1753 left-"Brother Robert the plantation where I live, with reversion to Cousin Tomer Presson, son of the said Robert Presson."-Witnessed by Anthony Lamb, Thomas Tomer and Richard Drewry.

II-11 Robert Presson (not listed in C.P. register) but proven by will of his brother II-10 James Presson. Robert Presson (m) Frances Tomer who was born Nov. 1, 1713, the daughter of John and Mary Tomer. Their children:

III-20 Elizabeth (b)Oct. 15, 1744-no further record
III-21 Mary (b)Jan. 26, 1747-no further record
III-22 Tomer (b)July 23, 1750-mentioned in will of his Uncle James Presson (II-10) above.

II-12 Samuel Presson (b)Oct. 12, 1717 (m) Mary, maiden name unknown. Their children:

III-23 Mary (b)Dec. 31, 1744-no further record
III-24 Nicholas (b)Oct. 28, 1746-see third generation
III-25 Elizabeth (b)Dec. 18, 1749-possibly the Elizabeth that married Reuben Lilburn in 1772.

II-13 Daniel Presson (b) Oct. 18, 1719 (m)Rebekah, maiden name unknown. Their children:

III-26 Elizabeth (b)June 27, 1756-no further record
III-27 Thomas (b)Oct. 6, 1758-no further record
III-28 Daniel (b)Oct.21, 1760-no further record
III-29 Frances (b)Jan. 28, 1763-no further record

Third Generation:

III-9 William Presson (b)July 3, 1737 (m)Anne, maiden name unknown. Their children:

IV-1 John (b)Feb. 25, 1766-no further record
IV-2 Robert (b)March 7, 1769-no further record
IV-3 William (b)July 22, 1771-no further record

III-12 Thomas Presson (b)Dec. 20, 1740 (m)first: Susanna Patrick on Jan. 1, 1774 (Ref. YC marriage records, pg. 286.)

Their children were:

IV-4 John (b)Jan. 8, 1778-See below
IV-5 Thomas (b)Dec. 15, 1780-See below

Suzanna Patrick Presson was the daughter of Curtis Patrick, who in his will of Sept. 16, 1783 mentioned grandson John Presson. It is therefore assumed that Thomas died young.

Thomas Presson (m)second: Martha, maiden name unknown,

Their children:

IV-6 Sarah (b)Jan. 20, 1785-no further record
IV-7 Nancy (b)Sept. 19, 1786-no further record

III-18 Robert Presson (m)Mary, maiden name unknown,

Their children:

IV-8 Robert (b)July 21, 1766
IV-9 Benjamin (b)Dec. 22, 1768
IV-10 John (b)Oct. 1, 1771
IV-11 Callohill (b)Sept. 4, 1774
IV-12 William (b)Jan. 14, 1778
IV-13 Mary (b)Feb. 12, 1781
IV-14 Elizabeth (b)Sept. 3, 1782
IV-15 James (b)Feb. 22, 1786

- Further information on the children of (III-18) Robert and Mary Presson is found in Part II of this book except John and Benjamin who are covered in Part III.

III-19 James Presson, birthdate unknown, son of II-7 William and Mary Presson (Proven by will of brother Robert (III-18) and guardians accounts. (m)Anne, maiden name unknown, Children:

IV-16 William (b)Jan. 9, 1770 - no further record on these
IV-17 Anne (b)Feb. 24, 1773/three children except as
IV-18 James (b) Dec. 26, 1776/below:

Robert Presson (III-18), in his will of 1788, proven 1791, stated that "the accounts of his brother's orphans should be paid their part of my father's estate due from me."

Guardians Account Book, York County, Book 1780-1823, pg.87, shows the following: "William, James and Anne Presson, orphans of James Presson-Robert Presson, executor of Robert Presson, deceased, who was executor of James Presson." Account of orphans, dated Sept. 21, 1795.

In 1795 the executor of (III-18) Robert Presson's Estate was his son (IV-8) Robert, who paid off the orphans who were then: William, age 25, James, age 18 and Anne, age 22.

III-24 Nicholas Presson (b)Oct. 28, 1746 (m)first: Anne, maiden name unknown. The register shows only one child:

IV-19 Samuel (b)March 6, 1775 - no further record

Nicholas (m)second: Mary, maiden name unknown, the register shows a child by this marriage:

IV-20 James (b) March 8, 1784 (m) Catherine_____.

It would be interesting to know who and where all of the Presson descendants are today. Identity of the Presson women has been lost through marriage. If it were possible to prepare a list of all of the descendants of (I) Nicholas Presson and his two wives, it would run into the thousands. Very likely some would be found in each state of the United States.

The name Tomer Presson appears in old Isle of Wight County Records. Some Pressons from that area reside in Newport News. An old YC deed refers to a Samuel Presson of Northhampton County, N.C. From information in the deed, which was written in 1818, he appears to have been a son of IV-20 James Presson.

PART II - Chapter 1

THE PRESSONS THAT STAYED

Ancestry of the Pressons in the general area of York County, Poquoson and those in Mathews County with the possibility of a few exceptions is as follows:

(I) Nicholas and his second wife Elizabeth through their son (II-7 William and his wife Mary, through their son (III-18) Robert and his wife Mary. From this point, only the descendants of Robert and Mary are covered. No attempt was made to bring lineage down to the present except in a few cases where information was readily available.

This chapter covers all of the children of Robert and Mary except John and Benjamin who are covered in Part III. Their descendants have been outlined in more detail.

The will of III-18 Robert, which was probated April 28, 1788, is recorded in York County Wills and Inventories 1783-1811, Bk. 23, Pag. 228. The will reads as follows: (Illegible words are shown as ____or if uncertain ( )?

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN. I Robert Presson of the Parish of Charles and County of York, being sick and weak in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testimony in manner and form following, that is to say -

IMPRIMIS - I desire that all my just debts be first satisfied and paid. Then it is my will and desire that as soon as convenient after my demise, my executors do settle with and pay off my Brothers Orphans their part of my fathers's estate, due from me, with the following negroes, namely (Sall)? and her child and Hannah who are living in Williamsburg and Hannah who lives with me, and after paying them if there should be any negroes or money remaining, I desire it may be divided among all my children, share and share alike.

Item: I give unto my beloved wife Mary, during her natural life, the following negroes, to-wit: (Jeff)?, Rachel, Doll and Jack, also my house and plantation whereon I now live, together with all the furniture therein and belonging, also my stock of all kind, all the corn fodder and other provisions which I have provided for my family's use.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Robert Presson two negroes, namely Sam and Alice also the plantation whereon I now live, after his mother's death, to him and his heirs forever.-

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Benjamin Presson two negroes, Tom and Esther at my plantation in Warwick County, with six head of cattle of the best on said plantation to him and his heirs forever. -

Item: I give and bequeath to my son John Presson two negroes, namely Old Peg and ____, also fifty acres of land in the Oak Swamp, to him and his heirs forever, I likewise give unto my son John after his mother is deceased, a negro by the name of Jack, to him and his heirs forever. -

Item: I give and bequeath unto my son Callohil Presson, two negroes, namely Robin and ____, to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my son William, two negroes, Hannah and Daisy, to him and his heirs forever.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Presson, two negroes, namely Nan and Betty, to her and her heirs forever.

Item: I give to my son James Presson, two negroes, namely, (Mark)? and Pegg, also I give unto my son James after his mother's demise another negro by the name of (Jeff)? to him and his heirs forever.

Item: It is my will and desire that if either of my before mentioned children should happen to die under the age of twenty one and without lawful issue, then the share of such child or children who may be there living, share and share alike.

Item: It is my will and desire that all the estate which I have lent to my wife, after her decease, shall be equally divided amongst all my children except the two negroes, (Jeff)? and Sall which are disposed of otherwise as aforesaid.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Robert, six head of cattle out of the stock on my plantation in Warwick County.

Item: I give all of the residue of my Estate not herein before disposed of to be equally divided amongst all my children, share and share alike.

Lastly - I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my loving wife Mary Presson and my sons Robert Presson and Benjamin Presson, executors of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all and every other wills by me made - IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 29th day of April, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Eight, signed/Robert Presson

Signed, Sealed, Published and Declared to be the last Will and Testatment of the Testator in presence of:

Hinde Russell - Frances X(her mark) Jones - Nich's Presson

At a court for York County the 21st day of Feb. 1791, this will was proved by the oaths of Hinde Russell and Nicholas Presson, witnesses thereto and sworn to by Robert Presson and Benjamin Presson the executors therein named and advised to be recorded and certified for obtaining a probate thereof in due form granted the said executors, they having given bond with Nicholas Presson, their security, in the penalty of One Thousand Six Hundred Pounds current money conditioned _____ as _____the law directs. Liberty is reserved to the executors in the said will named to join in the probate when they shall think fit. Teste: Ro.T.C. Waller, CS

It appears from his will that Robert was fairly wealthy, owning plantations in both York and Warwick Counties. It is not known where these plantations were located.

Brief information is given, as follows, on six of the eight children of (III-18) Robert and Mary Presson and some of their descendants:

IV-8 Robert Presson (b)July 21, 1766, (m) Martha Morris, daughter of John Morris. This is proven by loose papers from York County in the State Library in Richmond, VA. His will, which was proven the 15th day of April 1816 and recorded in York County Will Book No. 10, page 211, mentions a son John to whom he left his lands in York County, and daughters, Frances, Martha and Elizabeth to whom he left slaves and other property including brandy and cider.

The Charles Parish Register lists another Robert Presson, born May 8, 1769, son of William and Anne. Records indicate however that (IV-8) Robert, son of Robert and Mary Presson is the one that married Martha Morris.

Note: Roman Numerals used for identification purposes are discontinued at this point except for reference to generations I through IV and a combination of numerals and letters of the alphabet are used instead.

1. John Presson, son of (IV-8) Robert and Martha M. Presson was referred to in a deposition by Christopher Whiting in 1837 as John M. Presson. This deposition and others comprised the previously mentioned loose papers and pertained to court action to determine the ownership of certain slaves. John M. Presson was representing his nephew John B. Hunt, an infant, against Levin Smith.

John M. Presson must have married prior to age 21 and it is believed that he married his cousin Elizabeth, the daughter of (IV-9) Benjamin Presson. My basis for this belief is as follows: James Smith, the second husband of John's sister Elizabeth, gave permission - "as guardian for both" - for John Presson and Elizabeth Presson to marry. John was apparently married twice since a land transaction in 1837 lists his wife's name as Ann. It is not known if he had children by either marriage. It appears from estate settlements that he died in 1838.

2. Elizabeth Presson, daughter of (IV-8) Robert and Martha M. Presson, married John Hunt. Elizabeth's father died during the influenza epidemic of 1815. John Hunt became ill while attending his father in law's funeral and died several days later without returning to his own home. John and Elizabeth Hunt had one son, John B. Hunt. It was on his behalf that the suit over slaves was entered by his Uncle John Presson. He never married and specified in his will that he wished to be buried on the plantation of William Heath with a tree planted at each end of his grave.

Elizabeth married second, James Smith, brother of the aforesaid Levin Smith. They are known to have had two daughters and possibly more children. Their daughters Elizabeth Smith and Emily Smith were both living in 1837 and gave depositions at the slave trial.

3. Frances Presson, daughter of (IV-8) Robert and Martha M. Presson was referred to in a deposition by her sister Martha in 1837, in reference to slaves; as follows:
"I recollect to have heard my father tell my mother that he had given "Disey" to my sister Frances." No other information is available on Frances.

4. Martha Presson (1802-1850), daughter of IV-8 Robert and Martha M. Presson, in a sworn deposition, April 7, 1837, stated that she was the daughter of Robert Presson and that she was about 12 or 13 years old when her father died. She also stated that she was married about three years after her father's death (Y.C. Marriage Records show 1819), to Henry Smith, who was brother to James and Levin Smith. They were sons of Levin Smith of Accomac County, VA, who settled in York County in the early years of the Nineteenth Century, with his family. He built a unique above ground burial vault, large enought to hold several bodies, on his plantation in Poquoson, known as "Ashland" and his wife Martha was buried there in 1850. Henry Smith was born in 1798 and died in 1866.

Henry Smith and his wife, Martha Presson Smith are known to have had three children; possibly more. Those of record were:

A. Honorable Sydney Smith (1821-1884), a prominent lawyer of his day, buried in Bruton Parish Cemetary - Tombstone inscription: "son of Henry and Martha Smith of York County, married Virginia Constance Bucktrout." They had one son;

(1) Henry Bruce Smith, born in 1856; died in 1906.

B. Robert Henry Smith, born July 4, 1824 (Elizabeth City Parish Records). He died in 1864 and was buried in the vault. He married Rosanna Bunting, who was born Sept. 27, 1826, the daughter of Smith and Nancy Topping Bunting. Their children:

(1) Emma Smith (9/28/1851) (1/08/1937)
(2) Issac Smith (4/10/1854) (10/05/1944)
(3) Count Waleski Smith (5/02/1856) (1/07/1926)
(4) Martha Smith (10/17/1861) (1/30/1928)
(5) Lasetta Smith (9/27/1859) 4/11/1915)
(6) Robert H, Smith, Jr. (3/01/1865) (11/12/1933) (m) Alice Phillips. They had no children.

C. Sarah Elizabeth (1837-1869), only daughter of Henry and Martha Smith, married Thomas Miles Curtis on Nov. 19, 1851. They had a son, Henry Christopher Curtis, who married Sallie Ann Drummond. Their son, Woodfin Curtis resided in Denbigh, VA. Other children of Sarah and Thomas M. Curtis were: Sally, Fannie, Tommy, Cora and Mary Curtis.

Rosanna Bunting Smith wife of Robert Henry Smith, died Jan. 27, 1901, having outlived her husband thirty Seven years.

As Vincent Watkins, who assisted me with the Poquoson Lines, stated. Many people in Poquoson descend from Robert H. and Rosanna B. Smith and it would be difficult if not almost impossible to trace all of the descendants. This was not attempted but several representative lines have been shown which may assist others that are related to them in working out their lineage.

Listed below are the children and some descendants of (1) Emma Smith who was married on Jan. 29, 1871 to Callohill (Carroll) R. Freeman who was born Aug. 26, 1844 and died Nov. 18, 1979. He was the son of William and Martha Wilson Freeman:

(a) William H. Freeman (Nov. 26, 1871-Feb. 22, 1963) (m) Sallie V. Moore. She was born Dec. 29, 1874 and died Oct. 29 1952. Their children: Mildred, Henry Leslie, Herbert, Carrie and Rev. Carroll Freeman.

(b) Mary E. Freeman, born June 7, 1873, died in infancy.

(c) Rosanna Freeman (2/16/1875-2/09/1946) (m) Benjamin F. Topping son of Josiah and Augusta White Topping. Benjamin Topping was born Jan. 6, 1868 and died March 22, 1948. They had Callie, Henry Charles Taylor and Robert Topping;

(d) Sallie Ann Freeman (9/01/1876-12/01/1948) (m) John F. Hopkins who was born Jan. 25, 1868 and died Feb. 28, 1936; son of Rev. Edward and Amelia Freeman Hopkins. They had four sons who died without issue.

(e) Waleski Freeman (1/21/1878-10/24/1959) (m) Annie Lee White, daughter of William Wise and Elizabeth Freeman White.

(f) Carrie Freeman, born about 1880 (m) Thomas Forrest. Their children: Naomi and Henry Milton Forrest.

(2) Issac Smith, (Apr. 10, 1854-Oct. 5, 1944), son of Robert Henry and Rosanna Buntirg Smith (m) Elizabeth Hunt who was born Dec. 24, 1860 and died May 19, 1950. She was the daughter of Edward and Zella Constance Wilson Hunt. Children: Pearl, who married Joseph Moore; Henrietta, married Sife Forrest; Martha, married Fred Evans, Sidney (died unmarried) Issac Taylor, married Grace Hunt and 2nd: Ruth Wornom. Ira married Cora Firth, Leland (unmarried); Zella married Tommy Watkins and Robert (m) Molly Freeman and 2nd Nannie Riggins

The descendants of Issac Smith and his wife, Mary E. (Hunt) Smith are listed in more detail in Dolly Hughes Vick's genealogy entitled "Mary Rooksland Sheild."

(3) Count Waleski Smith (who was named after a Polish Army Officer that spent some time with his parents during the Revolutionary War) and his wife Elizabeth (Betty) Riggins, who was born Dec. 11, 1857 and died Feb. 15, 1891, had several children. Their son: Count Waleski Smith, Jr., known as Wallie, (3/19/1889-6/6/1941) married Emily Firth. They resided at the old "Smith Homeplace" which was built about 1851. This home, located at the end of Smith Street in Poquoson is still owned by their two daughters who reside in South Boston, VA. They are:

(a) Audrey Smith (b) Dec. 1, 1913 (m) Lorenzo Dowell Topping, June 17, 1939, their only child, Jimmy Smith Topping was born Dec. 1, 1945 and died Jan. 1, 1946.

(b) Emily June Smith (b) June 6, 1923 (m) Flournoy G. Lacks, They have the following children and grandchildren:

(aa) Lawrence C. Lacks, II (b) April 22, 1951
(bb) Wallie G. Lacks (b) Nov. 10, 1953 (m) Janet Rickman
They have three children:

(aaa) Wallie Gatewood Lacks, Jr. (b) October 4, 1973
(bbb) Misty Lea Lacks (b) May 22, 1976
(ccc) Christy Dawn Lacks (b) Jan. 15, 1978

(cc) Michael F. Lacks (b) May 26, 1955 (m) Janice Lenhart
(dd) Mark Stephen Lacks (b) Sept. 25, 1956

(4) Martha Smith, daughter of Robert Henry and Rosanna B. Smith (m) Willis Hunt, who was born June 9, 1856 and died Nov. 3, 1887, the son of Edward and Zella Constance Wilson Hunt. They had the following children:

(a) Oscar Edward Hunt, who married Clyde Ward
(b) Frank Hunt, who married Viola Carmines
(c) Willis Judkins Hunt, who married Missouri E. Hunt and
(d) Seppy Hunt, who married Mable Phillips

(5) Lasetta Smith, daughter of Robert Henry and Rosanna B. Smith (m) Stephen L. Moore who was born July 8, 1851 and died June 8, 1941, the son of M.S. and Sarah Wilson Moore. They had the following children:

(a) Sallie Emma Moore (1/15/1877-4/17/1936) (m) Braxton Bragg Watkins, the son of Thomas Vincent and Susan Ella Hunt Watkins.

(b) Alphus P. Moore (10/19/1879) (8/12/1953) (m) Martha A. Topping who was born May 2, 1879 and died Oct. 2, 1967. She was a daughter of Josiah and Augusta White Topping.

(c) Benjamin S. Moore (Jan. 10, 1883) Nov. 5, 1978) (m) Martha Lee Topping who was born April 19, 1884 and died Feb. 25, 1971. She was a daughter of Patrick Henry and Emma White Topping, Their daughter:

(aa) Gladys Rosalyn Moore (b) July 19, 1914 (m) Mahlon Hahn. They have one son:

(aaa) Benjamin Mahlon Hahn (b) March 1, 1952, who married Judy Carr. They have no children.

The fact that this writer is able to master the English Language well enought to attempt to put together this genealogy can be partially attributed to having been a pupil of Rosalyn Moore Hahn at Poquoson High School.

(d) Carroll Lee Moore (July 2, 1889)(Nov. 25, 1965) married Carrie White, daughter of William and Columbia Moore White. They had two children:

(aa) Carroll Lee Moore, Jr. (b) Feb. 13, 1918 (m) Gladys Cox on Feb. 13, 1943 and they have two children:

(aaa) Carroll Lee Moore, III (b) October 4, 1944
(bbb) Malene Anne Moore (b) November 1, 1950

(bb) Carrie White Moore (b) May 29, 1929 (m) Reverend Reginald Potts, III on July 31, 1954, they have five children:

(aaa)	Reginald Harrell Potts, IV	(b) Jan. 20, 1956
(bbb)	Carroll Manning Potts	(b) Jan. 24, 1957
(ccc)	James Stephen Potts	(b) Jan. 13, 1958
(ddd)	Agnes Caroline Potts	(b) Aug. 16, 1960
(eee)	Eleanor Lee Potts	(b) Jan. 1, 1967

Carroll Manning Potts (m) Jane Elvira Shader in 1980

(e) Clay Moore (m) Eula Cox, daughter of William B. and Rushadore Carmines Cox.

Information relating to IV-9 Benjamin Presson and IV-10 John Presson appears in Part III of this book.

IV-11 Callohill Presson, son of III-18 Robert Presson and his wife Mary apparently didn't marry, or if he did no records are available. He died young, as proven by the following from YC J&O Book 8, pg. 94 - "An order of court dated Sept. 16, 1805 - Edmund Patrick, George Purdie, Edward Robinson and John Smith settle estate of Callohill Presson, Dec'd, among his five brothers and one sister."

IV-12 William Presson son of III-18 Robert Presson and his wife Mary purchased the property known as the "Glebe Land". This was formerly the Church of England's Property on which the Parish House and Manse were located for many years. After independence was won this land was confiscated and used as a "Poor House Farm." This transaction is recorded in the form of a deed and is found in YC deed book No. 8, pgs. 21 and 22. Excerpts are as follows:

"This indenture made the ninth day of April in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Nine, between Gavin L. Corbin, John W. Waller, Henry Eaton, Robert Gibbons, Peter Goodwin, Jr., William Wynne, Robert Pescud, Thomas Chisman and Robert Presson, Overseers of the Poor for York County, acting under and in obedience to an act of the General Assembly passed on the Twelfth of January in the year Eighteen Hundred and Two of one part and William Presson of the other part in consideration of Two Hundred and Fifty Five Pounds of Lawful Money of the Commonwealth."

No acreage is given in the deed but boundaries are listed.

William must not have married, or if he did he outlived his wife and left no children. He left a very interesting will, which is shown here as copied from YC Will Book #10-1811-1824, pages 242 & 243. His will was probated (2/17/1817).

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN. I William Presson of the County of York, being of sound mind but low in health do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following:

VIZ-First it is my desire that executors hereafter to be named will rent of lease, at the highest price, all my land laying in York County (but I most positively declare not to any person that has been a resident of the Eastern Shore) until my Nephew Robert Presson arrives at the age of twenty one, at which age should he arrive at it, I then devise the aforesaid land to him and to his heirs forever. It is my

further will and desire that if my said Nephew Robert Presson does not arrive at the age of twenty one, thenI devise the said land to my nephew Callohill Presson. It is my will and desire that should my Nephew Robert Presson not arrive at the age of twenty one, my Executors will rent or lease the said land as aforesaid until my Nephew Callohill Presson arrives at the age of twenty one, and the monies arising from the rent or lease of the same be appropriated annually to the use of Maria Young Cook (the daughter of Anna Cook) in any manner that she the said Maria may think proper to apply the same.

2nd. It is my will and desire that my old negro man Juby and old woman Hannah be allowed to choose for themselves annually a Master or Mistress and that my Executors will hire them to the same for the best terms until my Nephew Robert Presson arrives at the age of twenty one and then it is my desire that they go to him absolutely.

3rd. It is my will and desire that my negro man Robin be hired by my Executors annually on the best terms for and during the term of my sister Elizabeth Freeman's natural life and at her death it is my will and desire and I hereby devise the said Robin to my Nephew Callohill Presson.

4th. It is my will and desire that my negro girl Judah be sold as soon after my death as possible by my Executors to the best advantage and the money arising from the sale there of to be applied immediatley to the discharge of my debts.

5th. It is my will and desire and I hereby devise my yellow boy Tom to my Nephew John Presson.

6th. I hereby devise my negro woman Fanny and her two smallest children to my sister Elizabeth Freeman for her sole and separate use and for her exclusive benefit for and during the term of her natural life and at her death to be disposed of in the order of my land herein before devised.

7th. It is my will and desire that my Crop of Corn not made be sold by my Executors on the best terms and that all the perishable part of my Estate be sold on a credit of twelve months, as soon as possible.

8th. It is my desire that my Executors will settle my accounts and make collection of my debts of every description and allow no indulgence but persue the shortest course in the recovery thereof as soon as possible.

9th. It is my will and desire and I hereby appropriate the annual hires of Juby and Hannah with the interest of the sum of One Thousand Dollars as soon as collected, for the sole and separate use of my sister Elizabeth Freeman for and during the term of her natural life.

10th. I hereby relinquish to my friend George Purdie all the claim of what kind soever that may be that I have against him with the sum of Five Hundred Dollars to be paid him as soon as collected.

11th. I hereby give to my friends Charles M. Collier and S. Charles (provided they take the administration and settlement of my estate and close it) the sum of Three Hundred Dollars each as soon as collected.

12th. I hereby give Robert (Meek?) the sum of Three Hundred Dollars as soon as collected.

13th. The balance of the monies left in the hands of my Executors after the discharge of my just debts, I give to my three Nephews, Robert, Callohill and John Presson and should either of them die before the age of twenty one to be divided amongst the survivors or to the survivor.

14th. I appoint my friends George Purdie, Charles M. Collier and Lewis S. Charles, Executors to this my last Will and Testament and it is my desire that they be not required to give Bond or Security.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this Seventh day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand and Eight Hundred and Seventeen.- William Presson

Signed sealed, published and declared as the last Will and Testament of the Testator, in the presence of:
John C. Robertson/George W. McIntyre/Thomas Hansford

At a Court held for York County the 17th day of February 1817, this will was proved by the oath of Thomas Hansford, one of the witnesses thereto, sworn to by Charles M. Collier and Lewis S. Charles two of the executors therein named and ordered to be recorded and certificate for obtaining a probate thereof in due form was granted the said Executors, they haveing entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of Ten Thousand Dollars. Liberty is reserved to George Purdie, the other executor in the said will named.

It seems that William had a strong dislike for any former resident of the Eastern Shore. This may have resulted from the dispute over slaves involving his relatives against Levin Smith who came to York County from the Eastern Shore.

IV-13 Mary Presson, daughter of III-18 Robert and his wife Mary was born Jan. 31, 1781. No other records are available on her. It is believed that she died young since she was the only child whose name didn't appear in her father's will in 1788 also her brother Callohill left his property to his brothers and one sister which would have been Elizabeth.

IV-14 Elizabeth Presson, daughter of III-18 Robert and his wife Mary, married Henry Curtis Freeman on February 13, 1800. He was born Nov. 17, 1778. The remainder of this chapter names some of the many descendants of their five children.

1 John Freeman, born in 1802, died Feb. 19, 1875
2 Sarah Freeman, born in 1807, death date not available
3 Martha Freeman, born about 1810, death date not known.
4 William Freeman, born Jan. 23, 1812, died Sept. 12, 1884.
5 Nancy Freeman, born in 1816 and died in 1850

1 John Freeman (m) 1st. Martha Watkins, daughter of William and Ann Rawlings Watkins. They were married on Feb. 7, 1823 Ref: YC Marriage Bonds. Martha Watkins was born December 8, 1802 and died July 30, 1837.

John Freeman (m)2nd. Polly Evans who was born in 1812, the daughter of Josiah Evans.

The children and some descendants of John Freeman and his first wife Martha Watkins are as follows:

A Mary Elizabeth Freeman (b) Abt. 1836 (m) Starkey Moore

B Thomas Freeman (8/13/1825) (1/10/1862) (m) Elizabeth Lawson.

C Amelia Ellen Freeman (6/28/1824) (3/05/1894) married Rev. Edward Hopkins, a local preacher of Tabernacle Methodist Church in Poquoson. He was the son of David and Sarah Hopkins who came to Poquoson from Baltimore, Maryland after the War of 1812. Rev. Edward Hopkins was born June 10, 1821 and died June 6, 1874. He purchased a tract of land on what is now Odd Road and built his home there. This land was a part of the original patent of Thomas Curson, dated April 20, 1685 "at the head of a branch of Football Quarter Creek.

This tract of land was known as "Key Oak." This property descended to Thomas Kirby, the grandson of Curson and remained in the Kirby family during the Colonial Period. John White, from Mathews County, purchased a part of the tract in the 1830's, thereby coming into the White Family from which this writer and many others in the general area descend.

C Amelia Ellen (Freeman) Hopkins and her husband Edward were parents of the following:

(1) Martha Elizabeth Hopkins, born Sept. 2, 1846 and died in 1928 (m) Daniel Callis on March 17, 1865. He was the son of Richard and Elizabeth Riggins Callis.

(2) Mary E. Hopkins (b) 1848 (m) Elisha Lawson in 1874.

(3) George E. Hopkins (b) Aug. 17, 1849 (m) Mary Elinor Watkins who was born in 1857. She was a daughter of Henry and Sarah Ann Linton Watkins.

(4) Margaret Ann Hopkins (b) 1855 (m) Daniel Webster Riggins on Dec. 25, 1875. Ceremony performed by Rev. Spiller.

(5) Virginia Frances Hopkins (Feb. 6, 1857) (Jan. 10, 1949) (m) John Wesley Buntingon Feb. 16, 1879. John Wesley Bunting was the son of Solomon and Matilda Ward Bunting. Children of John Wesley and Virginia F. (Hopkins) Bunting were:

(a) Matilda A. Bunting (Jan. 22, 1880) (Aug. 2, 1890)
(b) E.D. Bunting (Oct. 27, 1881) (Jan. 25, 1883)
(c) William E. Bunting (9/16/1883) (10/05/1945) (m) Nina J. Wilson on June 28, 1903. They had eight children:

(aa) Irma Bunting (m) William McAllister Landrum
(bb) Leslie Bunting (m) Anne Crown
(cc) Alma Bunting (m) Herbert Moore
(dd) Annie Bunting (m) Millard Barnes
(ee) Nina Linell Bunting (b) April 24, 1917, married Percy Ironmonger. See next page for descendants.
(ff) Mamie Bunting (m) Kenneth Trout. She died young and they had no children.
(gg) Julia Louise Bunting (b) July 25, 1922 married George Samuel Hopkins who was born March 2, 1920.
(hh) William Eldridge Bunting, Jr. (b) Jan. 8, 1931 (m) Miriam Jane Moore who was born September 18, 1933.

The following lines have been extended to include any changes or additions to the family through July 30, 1981:

(ee) Nina Linell and Percy Ironmonger have the following children and grandchildren:

(aaa) Percy E. Ironmonger, Jr. (b) Oct. 13, 1941 (m) Rita Amelia Barbera. They have one child:

(aaaa) Constance Linell Ironmonger (b) Sept. 5, 1972

(bbb) Mayme Brenda Ironmonger (b) October 30, 1943 (m) Richard O. Westrich. Children by this marriage are:

(aaaa) Lori Dawn Westrich (b) Feb. 24, 1969)
(bbbb) Richard Oscar Westrich, Jr. (b) July 5, 1970

Mayme Brenda Ironmonger married (2nd.) Edwin M. Hilliard

(ccc) Nina Maureen Ironmonger (b) November 24, 1947 (m) Ernest H. Diggs, Jr. They have one child:

(aaaa) Nina Ramona Diggs (b) July 20, 1973

(gg) Julia L. and George Samuel Hopkins have four children:

(aaa) Judith Dale Hopkins (b) Aug. 12, 1942 (m) Elbert Donald Morgan. They have the following children:

(aaaa) Donald Scott Morgan (b) March 25, 1959
(bbbb) Amy Susan Morgan (June 30, 1960) (Feb. 27, 1980)
(cccc) Elbert Samuel Morgan (b) July 24, 1961
(dddd) Jennifer Morgan (b) July 22, 1963 (m) Fred Stanley.
(eeee) Dwight David Morgan and Dennis Delong Morgan, twin sons, born March 7, 1965.

(bbb) Gregory George Hopkins (b) April 7, 1948 (m) Debra Jeannine Cuddy.

(ccc) Joanne Gae Hopkins (b) May 22, 1951 (m) Jean Francois Halvorson. They have two children:

(aaaa) Jason Adam Halvorson (b) June 7, 1975
(bbbb) Aimee Dawn Halvorson (b) July 11, 1979

(ddd) Gary Samuel Hopkins (b) Feb. 7, 1954 (m) Sharon Austin.

(hh) William Eldridge Bunting, Jr. (b) Jan. 8, 1931, married Miriam J. Moore who was born Sep. 18, 1933. Their children:

(aaa) Juliette Gayle Bunting (b) May 26, 1958
(bbb) Nancy Jolene Bunting (b) Feb. 1, 1962
(ccc) William Joseph Bunting (b) August 30, 1965
(ddd) Andrea Jane Bunting (b) Oct. 1, 1966

(d) Amelia Clyde Bunting, daughter of John Wesley Bunting and Virginia Frances (Hopkins) Bunting. She was born Feb. 22, 1883 and died December 20, 1934 (m) Josiah Topping on Aug. 10, 1901. He was the son of Josiah and Augusta Davenport White Topping. Josiah was born April 6, 1871 and died March 9, 1941. Their children:

(aa) Annie Zola Topping (b) February 8, 1903
(bb) C. Traynam Topping (b) September 30, 1904
(cc) Thelma Augusta Topping (b) December 24, 1909
(dd) Marvin Woodrow Topping (b) July 17, 1911
(ee) Joseph Archibald Topping (b) October 21, 1918
(ff) Mildred Burnette Topping (b) June 13, 1922

(aa) Zola Topping married William Jennings Cox. They had two sons:

(aaa) William J. Cox, Jr. (b) September 27, 1923
(bbb) Russell Keith Cox (b) September 7, 1925

(aaa) William J. Cox, Jr. (Billy) (m) Dickey June Partin. They have three children:

(aaaa) William Jennings Cox, III (b) December 23, 1948
(bbbb) Sally Catherine Cox (b) February 14, 1952
(cccc) Russell Foley Cox (b) October 25, 1957

(aaaa) William J. Cox, III (m) Dale Worcester. They have three children:

(aaaaa) Julie Cox (b) December 10, 1973
(bbbbb) Amy Cox (b) October 2, 1979
(ccccc) Allison Cox (b) May 21, 1980

(bbbb) Sally Catherine (m) William Compton. They have an adopted daughter, Susan (b) Dec. 13, 1979.

(cccc) Russell Foley Cox (m) Carol McDonald. They have a son: (aaaaa) Russell Foley Cox, Jr. (b) August 15, 1981

(bbb) Russell Keith Cox (m) Ann Adkins. They have three children:

(aaaa) Rebecca Kay Cox (b) February 6, 1954
(bbbb) Russell Keith, Jr. (b) March 21, 1955
(cccc) Richard Kenneth Cox (b) August 6, 1957

(aaaa) Rebecca Kay (m) Thomas Sutterfield. They have a child: (aaaaa) Stacy Rene Sutterfield (b) October 8, 1980

(cccc) Richard Kenneth (m) Barbara Williams. They have a son: (aaaaa) Richard Kenneth Cox, Jr. (b) December 13, 1978

(bb) Traynam Topping (m) Lottie Firth. He retired in June 1970, after having served forty one years in the Virginia Methodist Conference. They have a son:

(aaa) Larry McNeil Topping (b) April 11, 1932. Larry married Mary Gayenelle Hogge who was born October 3, 1938. They are the parents of four sons:

(aaaa)	Larry McNeil Topping, Jr.	(b) October 3, 1959
(bbbb)	Parker Traynam Topping	(b) September 19, 1962
(cccc)	Wallace Hogge Topping	(b) July 25, 1966
(dddd)	William Davenport Topping	(b) June 9, 1967

(cc) Thelma Topping (m) Benjamin McAllister Freeman. See page 38 for their children and grandchildren.

(dd) Marvin Woodrow Topping (m) Louise Marshall. They have two adopted children.

(ee) Joseph A. (McAdoo) Topping married Doris Rankin. They have no children.

(ff) Burnette Topping (b) June 13, 1922 (m) Paul P. Ellis who was born Sep. 8, 1920. Their children and grandchildren:

(aaa) Patti Topping Ellis (b) Oct. 23, 1946 (m) James E. Gooch who was born May 19, 1939. Their children are:

(aaaa)	Jeffrey J. Gooch	(b) July 19, 1971
(bbbb)	Courtney Ellis Gooch	(b) March 31, 1979

(bbb) Deborah Ellis (b) Feb. 15, 1950 (m) G. A. Goddin he was born June 8, 1946. They have four children:

(aaaa)	Christopher A. Goddin	(b) Oct. 7, 1966
(bbbb)	Paul Parker Goddin	(b) March 25, 1972
(cccc)	Gus A. Goddin	(b) Sep. 27, 1976
(dddd)	Robert A. Goddin	(b) Nov. 21, 1977

(e) Carrie L. Bunting, daughter of John Wesley and Virginia Frances Hopkins Bunting (b) Feb. 10, 1886 (m) W. V. Cox on November 15, 1902. Their children:

(aa) Frank Cox (did not marry)

(bb) Eunice Cox (m) Frank Fox.

(cc) Irving Cox (wife's name not known)
(dd) Pearl Cox (m) Henry Hautz
(ee) Lillie Cox (m) Charles McDaniel; 2nd: Alton Dryden

(f) Mamye V. Bunting (Sep. 12, 1887) (April 14, 1915) (m) Bowden Carmines. They had two daughters:

(aa) Ethel Carmines (m) Walter ___ (last name not known)
(bb) Florine Carmines (m) John Argo

(g) John Wesley Bunting, Jr. (1/15/1889) (4/29/1920), son of John Wesley and Virginia Frances Hopkins Bunting married Nannie Riggins on December 25, 1915. They had three children:

(aa) Everett Bunting - died in infancy
(bb) Doris Bunting (b) August 16, 1919
(cc) John Wesley Bunting, III (b) October 5, 1921

(bb) Doris Bunting (m) Floyd Louquet. They have two daughters:

(aaa) Marilynn Diane Louquet (b) July 19, 1942
(bbb) Jean Marie Louquet (b) September 1, 1954

(aaa) Marilynn Louquet (m) Myron J. Winship. They reside in Missoula, Montana.

(bbb) Jean Louquet (m) Luther D. Davis. They reside in Shady Cove, Oregon.

(cc) John W. Bunting, III (m) Berlie Lucille Wade who was born August 27, 1924. They have five children:

(aaa)	Richard Timothy Bunting	(b) January 24, 1942
(bbb)	Linda Marie Bunting	(b) January 22, 1948
(ccc)	Lucille Gail Bunting	(b) August 18, 1949
(ddd)	Garry Wade Bunting	(b) February 13, 1954
(eee)	David Wesley Bunting	(b) November 20, 1956

(aaa) Richard T. Bunting (m) Mary Virginia Wornom. Now divorced. They have a daughter:
(aaaa) Lynn Yvonne Bunting (b) November 27, 1964

(bbb) Linda M. Bunting (m) Eric Craig Weatherly. They have a son:

(aaaa) Eric Craig Weatherly, Jr. (b) August 23, 1968

(ccc) Lucille Gail Bunting (m) Paul Loudin, Jr.

(ddd) Garry Wade Bunting (m) Martha Ann Forrest

(h) Betty Ann Bunting (10/31/1890) (April 27, 1977) daughter of John Wesley and Virginia Frances Hopkins Bunting (m)

Claddy Lifton Watkins on December 7, 1907. He was the son of Thomas Vincent and Susan Ella Hunt Watkins. Their two sons are:

(aa) Thomas Vincent Watkins (b) April 17, 1912 (m) Emma Freeman. This line is extended under W. Wise and Elizabeth Freeman White.

(bb) Royall Beverly Watkins (b) August 30, 1917. He married Maxine Hines. He is a Methodist Minister and they have three children: Thomas, Robert and Lucy Watkins.

(i) Lillian V. Bunting (March 9, 1892)(October 8, 1917) (m) Charles Hopkins and they had two children:

(aa) Marie Hopkins - married Harry Wallace
(bb) Hazel Hopkins - married Aubrey Singleton

(j) Ada Belle Bunting (b) January 21, 1895, the tenth child of John Wesley and Virginia F. Hopkins Bunting (m) John King Rollins. They had:

(aa) John Taylor Rollins - died unmarried
(bb) Robert Bradford Rollins. He married Peggy Brooks. They have a daughter: Karen Rollins.

Five of the children of Edward and Amelia Ellen (Freeman) Hopkins are listed on page 21. They had five other children:

(6) Sarah Hopkins (b) 1859 (m) Benjamin Cyrus Carmines
(7) Alice Hopkins (b) 1861 (m) Cary Watkins
(8) Emma Hopkins (b) 1863 (m) Frank Lee Forrest
(9) John F. Hopkins (b) 1869 (m) Sally Freeman
(10) Ellen E. Hopkins (b) 1871 (m) Enoch Cox, Jr.

1. John Freeman and his second wife, Mary (Polly) Evans Freeman had six children:

D. Sarah Freeman (b) 1839 married Silas Cox
E. John Sidney Freeman (b) 1840 (m) Mary Elizabeth White on January 7, 1858.
F. Keturah Freeman - died unmarried
G. Elizabeth Freeman (b) September 10, 1844
H. Malissa Freeman - died unmarried

E. John Sidney Freeman and his wife Mary E. Cowles White (Bettie) Freeman had three children:

(1) Emma Freeman
(2) Eudora Beatrice Freeman
(3) J. Sidney Freeman, Jr.

Shortly before his death on the field of battle, J. Sidney Freeman, sent a letter to his wife. Excerpts are as follows:

Richmond - July 27, 1862 - "Dear Wife, Seeing a chance to send you a few lines and knowing how glad you would be to hear from me I have taken this opportunity to write you a short letter to inform you that I am in good health and hope this short epistle may find you enjoying the same great blessing. I can't say much in a letter, so I shant write much. I have been in the hospital three weeks since I have been here but I am now with the company. I don't know whether you will get this or not. I will tell you a few words of the horrors of war. We marched all day in the rain, with not much to eat, and I with no blankets. I have seen enough of war. The battle of Seven Pines lasted two days and the battle before lasted six days and some nights nearly all night. That was the greatest fight ever fought on the continent. In that fight we lost two men: Frank Wynne in the Y.R. and Bill Varris in the W.B, they were both shot; others whose names I will not mention as you don't know them. I am sorry to say that while I am writing, some of the boys have gone to dig Elijah Holloway's grave, poor boy died this morning. He had the measles and caught cold. Benn Briggs, William Moore are also dead. They died in hospitals. Tell Wise to try to take care of you and my little children. Take care of yourself and and meet me in a better world than this. I can't help shedding tears when I think of you and my little Emma and Dorah, God help you all. Give my affectional love to Mother and Father, also to Kitterah and Elizzy. If Wise is home tell him to take care of you all the best he can and I will reward him. I can't write anymore. Good by my dear Betty. It won't be in your power to write to me. John Sidney Freeman".

It appears that he had a premonition, when writing the letter, that he would not see his family again.

He lost his life in the "Battle of Antetiam, Maryland" on September 17, 1862. After the battle, my grandfather, John F. White, who was J. Sidney Freeman's brother in law, had the unpleasant task of burying him. He also buried his own brother, Arthur B. White and as he later wrote in his memoirs: "We gave them the best Christian Burial that we could under the circumstances."

(1) Emma Freeman, daughter of John Sidney and Mary E. C. White married Edward Russell Freeman. (See page 41)

(2) Eudora B. Freeman and Richard Phillips were married on April 5, 1877 by Rev. B.C. Spiller. Ref: YC Marriage Records. They had three children:

(a) William Sidney Phillips (1879 - 1968)
(b) Minerva Phillips (April 14, 1880)(April 2, 1960)
(c) Richard E. Phillips (Jan. 12, 1883)(Dec. 1, 1968)

(a) William Sidney Phillips (m) Margaret Sue Wainwright who was born in 1880 and died in 1962. They had two sons:

(aa) Rodney Phillips (Dec. 17, 1903)(Jan. 8, 1973)
(bb) William Emmett Phillips (Jan. 31, 1908)(Nov.13,1980)

(aa) Rodney Phillips (m) Maybelle Dyke. They had three daughters and an adopted daughter:

(aaa) Shirley Lee Phillips (b) May 23, 1928
(bbb) Margaret Elizabeth (Peggy) (b) Jan. 26, 1932
(ccc) Jeanette Catherine Phillips (b) December 6, 1939
(ddd) Lee Adrienne Phillips (adopted) (b) May 9, 1958

(aaa) Shirley Lee Phillips (m) James R. Shelton. They had five children:

(aaaa) Florence Anne Shelton (b) November 17, 1949
(bbbb) Thomas Philip Shelton (b) April 16, 1952
(cccc) Sharon Elizabeth Shelton (b) September 5, 1953
(dddd) Robert Daniel Shelton (b) September 4, 1954
(eeee) James Andrew Shelton (b) March 15, 1962(Single)

They divorced and Shirley Lee (m) Harry Thomas Insley.

(aaaa) Florence Anne (m) Dominick Italiano, They had a child:
(aaaaa) Angela Marie Italiano (b) October 28, 1965

They divorced and she married Calvin H. Savage, II. They have:
(bbbbb) Calvin H. Savage, III (b) January 18, 1973
(ccccc) Catherine Llewellyn Savage (b) Sep. 8, 1979
(ddddd) Margaret Savage and a twin brother
(eeeee) Jeffery Savage (b) December 10, 1980

(bbbb) Thomas Philip Shelton (m) Jonedith Anne Coffey. They have:
(aaaaa) Nicole Diane Shelton (b) May 4, 1971
(bbbbb) Heather Suzanne Shelton (b) Nov. 4, 1973

They divorced and he married 2nd: Sylvia Jean Bost.

(cccc) Sharon Elizabeth (m) David Dudley, Jr. They have three children:
(aaaaa) Michelle Leigh Dudley (b) March 5, 1974

(bbbbb) Amanda Anne Dudley (b) June 12, 1975
(ccccc) Rodney Todd Dudley (b) November 19, 1976

(dddd) Robert Daniel Shelton (m) Mary Sanborn

(bbb) Margaret E. Phillips (m) George D. Montgomery,Jr. They have four children:

(aaaa) Cheryl Lynn Montgomery (b) January 31, 1955
(bbbb) George Steven Montgomery (b) March 5, 1957
(cccc) Earl Scott Montgomery (b) April 7, 1965
(dddd) Kelly Elizabeth Montgomery (b) Sep. 14, 1968

(aaaa) Cheryl Lynn (m) Danny A. Priddy and they have two children:

(aaaaa) David Daniel Priddy (b) October 7, 1975
(bbbbb) Jennifer Lynn Priddy (b) December 23, 1978

(bbbb) George Steven (m) Vicki Lynn Meador. They have a daughter:
(aaaaa) Stephanie Lynn Montgomery (b) Feb. 3, 1980

(ccc) Jeanette Catherine Phillips (m) James Edwin Carroll. They have:

(aaaa) Bonnie Elizabeth Carroll (b) February 17, 1957
(bbbb) James Christopher Carroll (b) July 22, 1970
(cccc) Tracie Lynn Carroll (b) December 19, 1972

(bb) William Emmett Phillips, second son of William Sidney and Margaret Sue Wainwright married Eva Lois Taylor who was born May 16, 1916 and died June 3, 1973. They had a daughter:

(aaa) Sophia Ann Phillips (b) August 14, 1956. She is married to Timothy Ames Richman.

(b) Minerva (m) Taylor Topping who was born Aug. 4, 1876, and died Aug. 2, 1965. They had six children:

(aa) Richard Odell Topping (Feb. 8, 1901)(Sep. 3, 1969)
(bb) Elizabeth Topping (b) November 20, 1902
(cc) Eudora Beatrice Topping (b) August 19, 1904
(dd) Edward Taylor Topping (b) December 4, 1907
(ee) Benjamin G. Topping (b) August 30, 1910
(ff) Lady Lee Topping (b) January 31, 1913

(aa) Richard Odell Topping (m) Bessie Carmines. Their son:

(aaa) Richard O. Topping, Jr. was born October 7, 1931. He married Judith Insley and they have three children:

(aaaa) Ronald Taylor Topping (b) February 18, 1961
(bbbb) Warren Keith Topping (b) March 5, 1964
(cccc) Betsy Lee Topping (b) October 21, 1969

(aaaa) Ronald T. Topping married Katherine Harvey. They have:

(aaaaa) Christine Nicole Topping (b) Dec. 6, 1980

(bb) Elizabeth Topping married Preston Wilson. There were no children by this marriage.

(cc) Eudora Beatrice married Robert Lee Topping. They had no children. She died January 2, 1981.

(dd) Edward Taylor Topping married Ella Firth. They have no children. He and his brother Benjamin G. Topping operated a box and barrel factory in Poquoson for many years.

(ee) Benjamin G. Topping married Loraine Meredith. They have a daughter:

(aaa) Priscilla Meredith Topping (b) March 5, 1942. She is married to Lt.Col. David S. Osterhout. They reside in Springfield, Va.

(ff) Lady Lee Topping (m) Thomas Horsley and they had one child:

(aaa) Mary Arlean Horsley (b) August 23, 1939. She married Marshall Johnson and they have two children:

(aaaa) David Carroll Johnson (b) May 25, 1959
(bbbb) Margaret Beckey Johnson (b) June 15, 1961

(c) Richard E. Phillips (m) Virginia Susan Wainwright. She was born April 23, 1883, and died Oct. 17, 1971. They were the parents of three children:

(aa) Harvey R. Phillips (June 12, 1905) (March 14, 1963)
(bb) Norena Elizabeth Phillips (b) July 31, 1911
(cc) Lela Virginia Phillips (b) April 6, 1915

(aa) Harvey R. Phillips did not marry.

(bb) Norena Phillips married John Coughlin. Their son:

(aaa) John Richard Coughlin was born September 11,1934 and died July 24, 1940. Norena divorced and later married James Carl Rasnick. They have two daughters:

(bbb) Elcye Carlena Rasnick (b) August 24, 1944
(ccc) Joyce Anne Rasnick (b) November 9, 1946

(bbb) Elcye Carlena Rasnick (m) William Cartier Ward. They have two children:

(aaaa) Paul Cartier Ward (b) January 2, 1964
(bbbb) Jessica Carlena Ward (b) May 19, 1965

(ccc) Joyce Anne Rasnick (m) Gordon C. Helsel, Jr. They have two children:

(aaaa) Gordon Scott Helsel (b) May 29, 1972
(bbbb) Brian Keith Helsel (b) July 15, 1975

(cc) Lela Virginia Phillips (m) Philip Robert Christian. They have three children:

(aaa) Phyllis Sue Christian (b) April 21, 1937
(bbb) Philip Richard Christian (b) July 29, 1939
(ccc) James Floyd Christian (b) February 28, 1943

(aaa) Phyllis Sue married James Alfred Robinson. They have a son:

(aaaa) James Michael Robinson (b) September 4, 1959

(bbb) Philip R. Christian (m) Linda Faulkner. They have an adopted son:

(aaaa) Richard Eugene Christian (b) Feb. 12, 1970

(ccc) James Floyd married Gloria Hockaday. They had two children:

(aaaa) Mary Ann Christian (b) May 4, 1966
(bbbb) James Philip Christian (b) December 28, 1968

They divorced and James Floyd Christian married 2nd: Patricia Patterson.

(2) Eudora B. Freeman Phillips married 2nd: Thomas Hansford. They had three children:

(a) Lady Lee Hansford (b) Macey Hansford
(b) Shadrack Hansford (1889) (1892)

(a) Lady Lee Hansford (m) Andrew Franklin Insley. They had two sons:

(aa) Grover Franklin Insley (b) March 5, 1904
(bb) Thomas Allen Insley (b) January 6, 1908

(aa) Grover F. Insley (m) Jeannette Patrick. Their daughter:

(aaa) Margaret Lee Insley (b) August 28, 1926 married Robert Durward Watkins. They have the following children and grandchildren:

(aaaa) Robert Durward Watkins, Jr. (b) June 22, 1947 married Pamela Minor and they have twin daughters:

(aaaaa) Amber Lee and Dawn Marie (b) November 5, 1977

(bbbb) Danny Lee Watkins (b) March 15, 1950 married Cynthia Davis. Their children are:

(aaaaa) Lynn Marie Watkins (b) January 8, 1974
(bbbbb) Michelle Lee Watkins (b) July 27, 1978

(cccc) Jerry Curtis Watkins (b) July 23, 1951
(dddd) Jeannette Marie Watkins (b) November 28, 1960

(bb) Thomas A. Insley married Florine Wright. They have three children:

(aaa) Thomas Allen Insley, Jr. (b) July 6, 1942
(bbb) Rose Marie Insley (b) July 12, 1947
(ccc) Sandra Lee Insley (b) April 15, 1955

(aaa) Thomas Allen Insley, Jr. (m) Suzanne Goudy

(bbb) Rose Marie Insley (m) Robin M. Reed. They have five children:

(aaaa) Diana Marie Reed (b) February 14, 1965
(bbbb) Robin M. Reed, III (b) August 24, 1968
(cccc) Jennifer Ann Reed (b) May 24, 1971
(dddd) Beth Ann Reed (b) April 10, 1979
(eeee) Sarah Elizabeth Reed (b) October 31, 1981

(ccc) Sandra Lee Insley (m) Robert Lee Madison. They have a son:

(aaaa) Christopher Lee Madison (b) September 8, 1980

(b) Macey Hansford (m) Edward Wainwright and they had a son:
(aa) Billy Wainwright who married Mildred Shockley.

(3) J. Sidney Freeman, Jr. third child of Sidney and his wife Elizabeth (m) Mary Jane Mattox. They had five children:

(a) Etta (b) Mattie (c) Mary Elizabeth (Mollie)
(d) William Leonard (Lennie) and (e) Edward Freeman.

(a) Etta Freeman (m) Al Cox. They had a daughter:
(aa) Evelyn Cox who married Ellison Holloway. They had:
(aaa) William Holloway and (bbb) Mary Jane Holloway

(b) Mattie Freeman (m) Charles Topping

(c) Mary Elizabeth (Mollie) Freeman (m) Robert Smith. Their daughter:
(aa) Lorraine Smith (b) March 4, 1920 married Tilford R. Crandol. They have two children:

(aaa) Mary Elizabeth Crandol (b) August 19, 1944
(bbb) Frank Tilford Crandol (b) July 31, 1949

(aaa) Mary Elizabeth married Clarence E. Snyder, Jr. They have:
(aaaa) Erin Marie Snyder (b) November 1, 1966
(bbbb) Molly Heather Snyder (b) February 7, 1969
(cccc) Lauren Elizabeth Snyder (b) October 3, 1976

(bbb) Frank Tilford Crandol married Linda Fallen. They have:
(aaaa) Frank Tilford Crandol, Jr. (b) May 7, 1975
(bbbb) Wendy Renee Crandol (b) December 13, 1977

(d) William Leonard (Lennie) Freeman (m) Mamie Hopkins. Their children are:

(aa) Leneave Freeman (b) December 14, 1914
(bb) William Sidney Freeman (b) September 30, 1921

(aa) Leneave Freeman married Woodson Durette and they had a son:
(aaa) Thomas L. Durette who married Mildred Moore. They have: (aaaa) Elizabeth Ann (bbbb) Patricia Leneave
(cccc) Deborah Kay and (dddd) Pamela Lynn

(aaaa) Elizabeth Ann married Joseph Graham. They have a son:
(aaaaa) Joseph Graham, Jr.

Woodson Durette died and Leneave (m) Mordecai T. Walters.

(bb) William Sidney Freeman married Rose Moore. They have:

(aaa) Marilynne Freeman (b) July 1, 1946
(bbb) Wm. Sidney Freeman, Jr. (b) January 4, 1950
(ccc) Henry Manning Freeman (b) July 4, 1957

(aaa) Marilynne Freeman (m) James Apple. They had one child:
(aaaa) Keri Leigh Apple (b) January 11, 1972

James and Marilynne divorced and she married Samuel P. Allaun. They have a child:

(bbbb) Alexander Hawkins Allaun (b) June 11, 1981

(bbb) William Sidney Freeman, Jr. married Kathy Rickett on February 14, 1980 and they reside in Ft. Myers, Florida.

(ccc) Henry Manning Freeman is unmarried.

G. Elizabeth Freeman (m) William Wise White on October 18, 1863.

He, the son of John A. and Martha W. White was born October 14, 1836 and died October 9, 1913. Elizabeth Freeman White died January 29, 1918. They had thirteen children.

The descendants of this couple are listed through 1961 in Mrs. Elizabeth Ironmonger's "Thomas James, Ancestry and Descendants" and no attempt was made to bring all of the lines up to the present generation, however several family lines have been researched and are shown as representative lines of this family. Their children are listed below:

(1) William F. White (September 5, 1864) (February 4, 1926)
(2) John Arthur White (May 3, 1866) (March 6, 1924)
(3) Mary Emma White, born February 28, 1868
(4) Miles Henry White, born November 28, 1869
(5) Martha W. White (October 5, 1871) (October 25, 1872)
(6) Sidney W. White (August 6, 1873) (January 19, 1876)
(7) Albert Sydney White, born March 4, 1876
(8) Edward F. White (April 27, 1878) (January 21, 1891
(9) Joseph P. White, born April 5, 1880
(10) Annie Lee White (April 4, 1882) (July 2, 1951)
(11) Eskrich Peter White, born January 26, 1884
(12) Thomas Jefferson White, born March 9, 1886
(13) Ora F. White (April 25, 1888) (January 7, 1891)

(1) William F. White (m) Columbia Moore. They had four children:

(a) Levi White (November 23, 1891) (died in 1904)
(b) Carrie White (November 28, 1893) (September 22, 1981)
(c) Martha White (March 19, 1896) (October 13, 1981)
(d) William F. White, Jr. (October 1898) (May 1899)

(b) Carrie White Moore (See pg. 16 for some descendants)
(c) Martha White married John Segar Watkins. They had two children:
(aa) Eleanor Watkins (b) Oct. 4, 1917 (m) Sydney Patrick and have a son:
(aaa) Sydney Patrick, Jr. (b) July 19, 1942

(bb) John S. Watkins, Jr. (b) Oct. 27, 1920; married Rosa Lee Elliott.

(2) John Arthur White (m) Annie Marie Forrest, who was born April 11, 1874 and died February 1, 1937. They had two children:
(a) Alton Montague White (July 21, 1904) (Oct. 31, 1981)
(b) Mary Elizabeth White (b) January 20, 1915

(a) Alton M. White (m) Bettie Violet Forrest who was born Jan. 22, 1905. They had two children:

(aa) Wallie Gene White (b) November 1, 1926
(bb) Esther Marie White (b) January 3, 1930

(aa) Wallie Gene (m) Charline Forrest. They have three daughters: (aaa) Jean Allen White (b) May 1, 1947
(bbb) Edith Marie White (b) Dec. 12, 1949
(ccc) Sallie Charlene White (b) Oct. 8, 1955

(aaa) Jean A. White (m) Richard A. Roberts. They have:
(aaaa) Valerie Lorraine Roberts (b) Feb. 14, 1968
(bbbb) Jeffrey Alan Roberts (b) Nov. 25, 1975

(bbb) Edith Marie White (m) Larry Obie Page. They have:
(aaaa) Angela Marie Page (b) June 3, 1969
(bbbb) Mandy Lee Page (b) August 8, 1977

(ccc) Sallie Charline White (m) Leonard D. Fox. They have: (aaaa) Justin Dean Fox (b) July 12, 1980
(bbbb) Amy Charlene Fox (b) November 2, 1981

(bb) Esther Marie White (m) William H. Proctor. They have:
(aaa) Billie Diane (b) April 19, 1951 (m) Paul J. Davis.
(bbb) William Alton (b) June 28, 1955 (m) Kathryn Josephine Nidiffer.
(ccc) Mary Kathleen (b) Nov.19,1958 (m) William L. Luthie. They have: (aaaa) Marnie Marie Luthie (b) June 30, 1980

(b) Mary Elizabeth White (m) Harvey Basil Herring who was born September 15, 1913. They have two children:
(aa) Harvey Wayne Herring (b) March 11, 1939
(bb) John Michael Herring (b) April 23, 1947

(aa) Harvey W. Herring (m) Elaine Oakley. They have:
(aaa) Gary Wayne Herring (b) June 6, 1961
(bbb) Helen Marie Herring (b) March 22, 1965

(3) Mary Emma White (m) Patrick Henry Topping. They had:
(a) Martha (b) William (c) John French (d) Ora and (e) Jefferson Topping.

(a) Martha Topping (See page 16 for descendants)
(b) William Topping (m) Mae Powers. They had two daughters:
(aa) Emma Mae Topping (m) William Newcomb
(bb) Marjorie Topping (m) Shepherd Rowe

(c) John French Topping (b) March 8, 1891 married Cora Elizabeth Quinn who was born June 23, 1898. Their daughter:
(aa) Edith Topping (m) Robert Hopkins. They have three children: (aaa) Robert (bbb) Mahlon and (ccc) Nancy Hopkins.

(bb) Rosa Jeanette Topping, daughter of John F. and Cora E. Topping was born January 30, 1923. She married Robert B. Smoot and they have two children:

(aaa) Micheal Terry Smoot (b) October 4, 1947
(bbb) Robert Buxton Smoot, Jr. (b) May 19, 1951

(aaa) Micheal T. Smoot married Susan Dean

(bbb) Robert B. Smoot, Jr. married Debra Kay Mathias. They have two daughters:

(aaaa) Sherry Marie Smoot (b) October 17, 1979
(bbbb) Amy Michele Smoot (b) April 9, 1981

(d) Ora Elizabeth Topping (Nov. 6, 1895) (Nov. 18, 1974) (m) Melvin Hobday Cox who was born Sep. 21, 1894 and died January 8, 1942. They were the parents of two daughters:

(aa) Margaret Lucille Cox (b) April 23, 1923
(bb) Betty Milla Cox (b) September 21, 1928

(aa) Margaret Lucille (m) William H. Pace. They have three children:

(aaa) Margaret Lucille Pace (b) July 18, 1946
(bbb) William Henry Pace, Jr. (b) September 7, 1951
(ccc) Catherine Elizabeth Pace (b) March 21, 1962

(aaa) Margaret Lucille Pace (m) Jack Fleming. They have:

(aaaa) Camila Michele Fleming (b) January 25, 1968
(bbbb) Jack Lionel Fleming (b) June 10, 1970
(cccc) Connie Marie Fleming (b) February 8, 1972

(bb) Betty Milla (m) Howard Garland Forrest, Jr. They have two sons:

(aaa) Howard Garland Forrest, III (b) Sep. 24, 1952
(bbb) Kenneth Melvin Forrest (b) December 17, 1959

(aaa) Howard G. Forrest, III (m) Donna Leigh Tyndall. They have a daughter:

(aaaa) Corrie Michele Forrest (b) June 26, 1980

(4) Miles Henry White (m) Margaret Forrest. Their daughter:

(a) Mary White married Paul Hunt. They had three children:

(aa) Genevieve Brown Hunt (b) July 19, 1915
(bb) Mary Milla Hunt (b) March 1, 1920
(cc) Margaret Elizabeth Hunt (b) January 10, 1926

(aa) Genevieve (m) Hugh Stephenson and they have a daughter:

(aaa) Donna Elizabeth Stephenson (b) Nov. 7, 1938. She (m) William Spencer. They have a daughter:

(aaaa) Leslie Elizabeth Spencer (b) August 17, 1957

(bb) Mary Milla Hunt (m) John Dryden. They have three sons:

(aaa) John Wallie Dryden, Jr. (b) March 11, 1946
(bbb) Paul Freeman Dryden (b) February 7, 1951
(ccc) Stephen Hunt Dryden (b) May 29, 1955

(cc) Margaret E. Hunt (m) Charles H. Wilson. They have:

(aaa) Charles Hutchins Wilson, Jr. (b) September 27, 1956
(bbb) Samuel Hunt Wilson (b) August 28, 1959

(7) Albert Sydney White (m) Florence Holloway. They had two sons:

(a) John Wise White (1910) (1925)
(b) Albert Sydney White, Jr. (b) January 16, 1922

(b) Albert Sydney White, Jr. married Rosanna Hunt. They have three children:

(aa) John Thomas (Jack) White (b) June 24, 1944
(bb) Albert Sydney White, III (b) July 11, 1948
(cc) Rose Hunt White (b) October 5, 1951

(aa) John Thomas White married Nancy Hopkins.

(9) Joseph P. White (m) Elizabeth Watkins. They had two sons:

(a) Joseph P. White, Jr. who married Ruth Todd.
(b) Watkins White, who married and had two children.

(10) Annie Lee White (m) Waleski Freeman on April 29, 1903. He is listed previously as being the son of Carroll and Emma Smith Freeman. They were parents of the following children:

(a) Edward Franklin Freeman (b) May 17, 1904
(b) Benjamin McAllister Freeman (Feb. 14, 1906) (May 2, 1977)
(c) Mary Elizabeth Freeman (b) October 14, 1910
(d) William Thomas Freeman (b) September 5, 1912
(e) Emma Carroll Freeman (b) December 20, 1914

(a) Edward F. Freeman (m) Anna Akers. They had no children. He was drowned at sea, January 17, 1944

(b) Benjamin M. Freeman married Thelma Topping. They had two sons:

(aa) Benjamin Ray Freeman (b) September 23, 1934
(bb) Eddie Lee Freeman (b) June 30, 1944

(aa) Benjamin Ray (m) Joyce Dunn. They had a daughter:

(aaa) Joyce Ann Freeman (b) June 15, 1961

Joyce Dunn Freeman died young and Benjamin Ray married Ila Hill. They have a son:

(bbb) Benjamin Ray Freeman, Jr. (b) May 1, 1967

(bb) Eddie Lee (m) Juliet Smith. They had a daughter:

(aaa) Gina Leigh Freeman (b) August 12, 1964

Eddie Lee and Juliet divorced and he married Leanne Wright. They have a daughter:

(bbb) Krista Lee Freeman (b) October 28, 1975

(c) Mary Elizabeth Freeman (m) Henry Milton Cottee. They had a son, Thomas Carroll Cottee who died March 29, 1944 in infancy. She married 2nd: Friedrich Schoenfelder on October 16, 1954. They have no children.

(d) William Thomas Freeman (m) Anna Waslick. Their sons are:

(aa) William Thomas Freeman, Jr. (b) November 23, 1943
(bb) Edward Franklin Freeman (b) April 30, 1959

(aa) William T. Freeman, Jr. (m) Jackie Jamerson. Their sons are:

(aaa) William (bbb) Michael and (ccc) Aaron

(e) Emma Carroll Freeman (m) Thomas Vincent Watkins. They have two children:

(aa) Russell V. Watkins (b) July 15, 1948
(bb) Carroll Ann Watkins (b) January 19, 1949

(aa) Russell V. Watkins (m) Janet Shores. Their son:

(aaa) Neil Gregory Watkins was born April 19, 1977

(bb) Carroll Ann Watkins (m) Elijah W. Martin. They have:

(aaa) Aaron Wayne Martin (b) December 10, 1971
(bbb) Thomas Everitt Martin (b) November 4, 1973

(11) Eskrich Peterson White (m) Nannie B. Burcher. She was born Sep. 28, 1888 and died Dec. 6, 1936. Their son:

(a) Stanley Wise White married Lorraine Harris. They had three children:

(aa) Nannie B. White (b) October 16, 1944
(bb) Stanley Wise White, Jr. (b) June 9, 1946

(cc) Richard Thomas White (b) October 15, 1949

Stanley Wise White was, as his father, a medical doctor. He died in a tragic automobile accident, August 1, 1955.

(12) Thomas Jefferson White (m) Nannie Amory. She was born Nov. 26, 1890. They had one daughter:

(a) Elsie Marie White (b) September 1, 1918. She married Fitzhugh Moore and they had two children:

(aa) Nancy Jefferson Moore (Sep. 22, 1953) (Aug. 27, 1958)
(bb) Beverly Kay Moore (b) June 13, 1957

2. Sarah Freeman, second child of Henry Curtis and Elizabeth Presson Freeman (m) 1st: John Powell, Jr. on Jan. 16, 1827. She married 2nd: Henry Moore on December 17, 1829. Descendants of Sarah Freeman were not researched for this book.

3. Martha Freeman, child of Henry C. & Elizabeth Freeman (m) George Cox on June 29, 1827. The marriage bond reads as follows: "To the Clerk of Court of York County, Sir: You are fully authorized to give to Mr. George Cox a license to marry my sister Martha Freeman who is my ward. Given under my hand this 29th. day of June 1827. John Freeman".

Among their children were: Rachael and Lelia (twins, born in 1832), George Bains, born in 1836, Sarah (b) 1842, William (b) 1847, Martha Ann (b) 1851, Elias, no birth date available and Horatio Enoch (b) 1829.

George Bains Cox married Elizabeth Cowles White Freeman. She was the widow of Sidney Freeman, who was killed in the Battle of Antietam, September 17, 1862.

Horatio Enoch Cox, son of George and Martha Freeman Cox (m) Mary Elizabeth _____?. They had: Frank (b) 1856, India (b) 1860, Sarah (b) 1862 and Enoch (b) 1865. Enoch married Ellen Hopkins, daughter of Rev. Edward and Amelia Freeman Hopkins and they had two children: Ruth Cox and Edward Cox.

Horatio Enoch Cox (m) 2nd: Ann Elizabeth Morris, daughter of James and Frances Morris of Elizabeth City County, Va. They were married December 23, 1869. Ann Elizabeth Morris was born in 1846. They had: James (b) 1871, George W. (b) 1872, who married Mary Topping daughter of Marcellus and Frances Topping. Robert H. (b) 1874, Fannie Cox (b) 1877 married W.D. Carmines, Ida Cox (b) 1879 who married Robert Watkins. Their daughter Gracie Watkins (m) Callie Topping. Another daughter,

Maggie Cox (m) Levi Riggins and they had Fred and Floyd Riggins. A daughter Annie Cox married Lenton Moore. Belle Cox (m) Edward Russell Freeman, son of Edward R. and Emma Freeman.

4. William Freeman, son of Henry Curtis and Elizabeth Presson Freeman (m) Martha Wilson who was born Jan. 27, 1815 and died March 31, 1884. She was a daughter of William and Elizabeth Topping Wilson. William and Martha Wilson Freeman were buried in the cemetary at Hunt's Point in Poquoson, Va. They had the following children:

A. Henry Freeman (b) 1834 (m) Martha E. Hopkins. They had:

(1) Henry Freeman, who married Awilda A. Hunt on Dec. 20, 1877. She was a daughter of William C. and Susan F. White Hunt.

B. William Freeman (b) 1837 - Died unmarried

C. Elizabeth Freeman (b) 1842

D. Martha Freeman (b) 1843 (m) Benjamin Carmines. They had:

(1) W.D. Carmines (m) Fannie Cox - See Chapter 1, above.
(2) Virginia Carmines (m) Bob Saunders

E. Callowhill Freeman (m) Emma Smith. Their lineage previously shown under descendants of Robert H. and Rosanna B. Smith.

F. Sarah E. Freeman (b) 1846

G. John W. Freeman (b) 1848 (m) Hester Ann Cox

H. Virginia Freeman (b) 1850

I. Edward Russell Freeman (June 9, 1858) (Dec. 20, 1944). He married Emma S. Freeman on Nov. 15, 1879. She was a daughter of Sidney and Elizabeth Cowles White Freeman who was born October 11, 1858 and died March 14, 1942.

J. Hester Freeman (b) 1857

K. Albert Freeman (b) 1860

I. Edward Russell and his wife Emma S. Freeman had seven children:

(1) Willis Freeman (m) Sallie Forrest
(2) Preston Freeman (m) Ada Holloway
(3) Iona Freeman (m) Melvin Moore
(4) Sarah Freeman (m) Cleveland Watkins
(5) Hope Freeman (m) Ella Ortt
(6) Mary Lou Freeman (m) Robert Byrnes
(7) Edward Russell Freeman, Jr. (m) Belle Cox

The descendants of Edward Russell and Emma S. Freeman are listed in Mrs. Elizabeth Ironmonger's "Thomas James, Ancestry and Descendants" through 1961. Their seventh child:

(7) Edward Russell Freeman, Jr. and his wife Belle Cox had three children:

(a) Florence Virginia Freeman (b) August 28, 1913
(b) Annie Sue Freeman (b) February 15, 1917
(c) James Randolph Freeman (b) December 20, 1923

(a) Florence Freeman married Hardy H. Wornom and their descendants are covered in Pt.IV, Chapter 2, of this book.

(b) Sue Freeman married John Leroy Shores and they had five children:

(aa) John Leroy Shores, Jr. (b) May 11, 1937
(bb) Edward Earl Shores (b) December 24, 1938
(cc) James Franklin Shores (b) November 9, 1942
(dd) Carroll Fay Shores (b) April 20, 1948
(ee) Janet Sue Shores (b) August 27, 1952; married Russell V. Watkins and they have a son Neil Gregory as listed previously in this chapter.

(aa) John Leroy (m) Margaret Ferguson and they had one child:

(aaa) Karen Shores (b) Sep. 26, 1964 & died Mar.17, 1975.

(bb) Edward Earl (m) Mary Jean Moore and they have two children:

(aaa) Christopher Earl Shores (b) September 5, 1963
(bbb) Angela Isabel Shores (b) August 14, 1965

(cc) James Franklin married Barbara Evans

(dd) Carroll Fay (m) Carolyn Faye Shaheen. They have a daughter:

(aaa) Lisa Marie Shores (b) August 4, 1977

(c) James Randolph Freeman (m) Mary Elizabeth Rice. They have:

(aa) James R. Freeman, Jr. (b) March 25, 1947

(bb) Ronald Keith Freeman (b) May 31, 1952. He married Debra Clarkson. There are no children; they are divorced.

(aa) James R. Freeman, Jr. (m) Sharon Lee Crockett. They have two children:

(aaa) Tamara Lynn Freeman (b) February 23, 1969
(bbb) David Scott Freeman (b) December 20, 1971

(5) Nancy Freeman, daughter of Henry Curtis and Elizabeth Presson Freeman married Evans Wainwright. They had eight children. Their fifth child, (A). John Thomas Wainwright married Mary Elizabeth Bradshaw on July 24, 1873. They had thirteen children, the fifth child being John Andrew Wainwright.

(1) John Andrew Wainwright (m) Harriet Mildred Insley on December 17, 1903. They had three children:

(a) Evans Wainwright (July 14, 1905) (October 10, 1980)
(b) George Wainwright (July 15, 1910) (December 3, 1964)
(c) John W. Wainwright (Feb. 22, 1915) (September 7, 1975)

(a) Evans Wainwright (m) Mary Frances Garrett. Their son:

(aa) Howard Evans Wainwright (b) September 20, 1937, married Camilla Hogge, daughter of T.J. and Eva Moore Hogge. Their children are:

(aaa) Howard Evans Wainwright, Jr. (b) October 23, 1960 married Faye Dawson on March 7, 1981.
(bbb) Eleanor Ruth Wainwright (b) March 31, 1962
(ccc) Jonathan Andrew Wainwright (b) June 2, 1965

(b) George Wainwright (m) Rebecca Ward on April 5, 1929. They had four children:

(aa) Lillie Mae Wainwright (b) July 5, 1930
(bb) Mildred Elizabeth Wainwright (b) Dec. 31, 1931
(cc) Edmund Ward Wainwright (Aug.10, 1933) (Dec. 8, 1935)
(dd) Edmund Ward Wainwright (b) February 4, 1938

(aa) Lillie Mae married Roy P. Wilson. They have three children:
(aaa) Cynthia Jane Wilson (b) December 28, 1958 (m) James R. Muscatello
(bbb) Lori Ann Wilson (b) January 28, 1962
(ccc) Roy P. Wilson, Jr. (b) January 20, 1963

(bb) Mildred Elizabeth Wainwright (m) Henen Benthall, Jr. They had no children. She died April 24, 1969.

(cc) Edmund Ward Wainwright (m) Mary E. Page. They have four daughters:

(aaa) Cheryl Anne Wainwright (b) Sep. 18, 1959. She married Elias Thomas Freeman, III on July 11, 1981.
(bbb) Patti Lynn Wainwright (b) October 24, 1961
(ccc) Deborah Kay Wainwright (b) July 11, 1965
(ddd) Lisa Page Wainwright (b) May 11, 1967

(c) John W. Wainwright (m) Katherine Firth. They had three children:

(aa) John W. Wainwright, Jr. (b) November 28, 1933
(bb) Carol Rae Wainwright (b) June 27, 1940
(cc) Michael Lee Wainwright (b) March 10, 1949

(aa) John W., Jr. (m) Ellen Rudd. They have two sons:

(aaa) John W. Wainwright, III (b) July 12, 1959
(bbb) Douglas Byron Wainwright (b) August 17, 1961

(bb) Carol Rae (m) Morgan H. Cole and they have a son:

(aaa) William Dalton Cole (b) June 5, 1962

(cc) Michael Lee Wainwright (m) Naomi Bird. They have two children:

(aaa) Napoleon Bonaparte Wainwright (b) Dec. 29, 1967
(bbb) Gretchen Amber Wainwright (b) Oct. 6, 1970

The above listing of Wainwright's is intended only as a representative line of the descendants of Nancy Freeman and her husband Evans Wainwright.

John W. Wainwright, III, a Presson descendant and distant relative of the above Wainwright's is listed in Part IV, Chapter 2 in this genealogy. He has done extensive research on the Wainwright Family and is preparing a book on the subject, which when complete will commence with the first known Wainwright's in this country and bring their lineage down to the present generation, where information is available.

IV-15 James Presson, youngest child of III-18 Robert Presson and his wife Mary married Elizabeth Patrick on February 7, 1811. She was a daughter of Edmund Patrick. No clear record is available showing the children, if any, of this couple. There were several James Presson's living during that time period and there are many estate settlements and other legal transactions in YC records but they are very confusing. For example a James Presson, Jr. was a witness to the will of John Presson in 1811. (Jr.) at that time did not necessarily mean that he was the son of another by the same name but the younger of several men in the community by the same name. Therefore the James Presson, Jr. mentioned above was probably IV-15 James, who was brother to John Presson.

PART III - Chapter 1

BENJAMIN PRESSON

This chapter deals with (IV-9 Benjamin Presson, second son of (III-18) Robert Presson, and his wife Elizabeth (Drewry) Presson.

This has been the most difficult line to research since no will can be found for Benjamin. The information that I have obtained is from bits and pieces of information, both oral and written.

YC records indicate that he married Elizabeth Drewry on or about Dec. 19, 1796. She had a twin sister named Anne and they were born May 8, 1781, the children of William and Anne Drewry. He would have been 28 and she not quite 16 years of age which seemed to be the pattern in those days. The girls married young but the men usually seemed to be in no hurry.

In those days it was customary to have marriage agreements drawn up between the father of the young lady and her future husband such as the one shown below between Benjamin and his future father in law. This old document was very hard to decipher.

"Know all men by these presents that we Benjamin Presson and William Drewry are held and firmly bound to James Wood, Esquire, Governor and Chief Magistrate of Virginia, in the just and full sum of one hundred and fifty dollars, to be paid to the governor and his successors, which payment will and (surely)? to be made, we bind ourselves and each of us and each of our heirs, executors, administrators firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals and dated this Nineteenth day of December 1796."

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas there is a marriage intended shortly to be had and solemized between the above bound Benjamin Presson and Betsy Drewry, spinster, both of the Parish of Charles and County of York.

Now if there be no lawful cause to obstruct the said marriage then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Sealed and Delivered in presence of - Benjamin Presson -Seal

Littleton W. Tazewell William Drewry - Seal

At a court of August 19, 1799 Benjamin Presson gave an account of the division of slaves of the Estate of William Drewry, as follows: 1st. division to Anne Drewry; 2nd. to Benjamin Presson; 3rd. to Esther Drewry; 4th. to Mary Drewry; 5th. to William Drewry and 6th. to John Drewry. This account of slaves is recorded in YC Wills and Inventories (1783-1811) Book 23, page 539.

IV-9 Benjamin was deceased by the year 1823 and his widow Elizabeth, by deed dated July 26, 1823, for One Dollar and Love and Affection, gave her son Callohill eighty acres of the Benjamin Presson homestead, later known as the "Fennimore Farm" which is located at the extreme South-West end of York County; adjacent to the Newport News Line.

Presson Property originally included many acres of land across the highway from the above mentioned property.

It is not known how many children were born to Benjamin and Elizabeth Presson. I believe there must have been more but have only been able to identify three. The one that was easy to tie in was the previously mentioned Callohill. He married Tabitha Colburn on November 13, 1837. She was born in 1820, being much younger than her husband. Tabitha was a grand-daughter of Gen. John Custis of Revolutionary War fame.

Callohill was prominent in the affairs of York County, having served as Justice of the Peace and as Sheriff. He was listed in the 1850 census as being 51 years of age. Others listed as being members of his household were his wife, Tabitha, age 30; her mother Catherine Colburn, age 74 and his children: Susan, age 12; Elizabeth, age 10; John, age 8 and Julia age 5/12 year. Apparently two more children were born after 1850 since John Presson's obituary in 1933 mentioned a brother Thomas and a sister Nonie.

Julia Presson, listed in the 1850 census as being age 5/12 year, married John Patrick. Known children from her obituary were Mrs. J. B. Hamilton and Mrs. Claude C. Curtis both of Hampton, Va.

The following excerpts are from the obituary of Mrs. Julia Presson Patrick, which was printed with her picture in the November 18, 1956, Daily Press.

"Mrs. Julia Presson Patrick, believed to have been the Peninsula's oldest resident, died Friday in Patrick Henry Hospital after a long illness. Mrs. Patrick celebrated her 106th birthday on March 24, 1956. She is survived by two daughters, seven grandchildren; twenty three great grandchildren and five great-great grandchildren."

John Presson, son of Callohill and Tabitha Presson died in 1933 at the age of 93. The following excerpts are from his obituary: "John Presson, age 93, died at his home at Big Bethel after a long illness. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Frank Smith. He was at Seven Pines, South Mountain, Antetiam and in other battles with the Confederate Forces. After the war he married Laura Cook of Portsmouth, Va, on Oct. 11, 1870. Mr. Presson became a successful merchant. He was a member of the Confederate Pension Board." His proudest possession was a walnut cane with polished small branches entwined about the stick. It was carved from wood taken from the Seven Pines Battlefield and presented to him in 1930 by Mrs. George Savage of Hampton, VA.

Another son of IV-9 Benjamin and Elizabeth Presson was Robert. His date of birth is not known but he was at least 21 in 1824 when he deeded land which from the description in the deed appears to have been six acres out of the tract that he inherited from his Uncle William. He and John M. Presson were security for Callohill to perform the duties of County Constable of York County. This transaction was in 1827.

Further information on Robert and his family appears in the next Chapter.

In a previous chapter it was noted that James Smith, as guardian for both, gave permission for John M. Presson to marry Elizabeth Presson. They were married March 30, 1825. Ref: YC Marriage Records and YC Guardians Records. Permission had to be given for her to marry indicating that she was under the age of 21 at the time.

There are several reasons for believing that Elizabeth was a daughter of Benjamin and Elizabeth Presson. John M. and Elizabeth sold land in 1830 that from the description appeared to have been a part of the lands of Benjamin. Apparently Elizabeth died prior to 1837 and John M. had re-married. John M. Presson and his wife Ann deeded land in 1837 to Thomas Colburn, a brother of Callohill's wife Tabitha.

PART III - Chapter 2

JOHN PRESSON

As mentioned in the introduction to this booklet, I had searched for several years, trying to solve the mystery of who the parents of great grandmother Elizabeth Presson were. The wills of IV-10 John and IV-12 William led me to believe that John's son Robert was the only available Robert Presson in that time period. I knew through marriage records that Robert Presson was the father and that his wife's name was Martha M. Presson. The only Martha that would fit in, however, was the sister of Robert. Both being the children of IV-10 John. (See will of John Presson in this chapter).

IV-10 John Presson was born Oct. 1, 1771 and records show that he was married to Patsy Lilburn on Feb. 28, 1794. There were two children by this marriage: Robert and Mary. Dates of birth of these children not known but they were orphaned at a very early age since John re-married on or about Aug. 29, 1809. His second wife was Martha C. Morris, daughter of Thomas Morris. They had one child, Martha Morris Presson.

It wasn't until I found a marriage agreement in York Co. Court Records and compared it with IV-10 John's Will that things began to fall in perspective. The marriage index listed John Presson as being married to Martha _____.

In other words the maiden name of Martha had heretofore been unidentified. After further careful study of the agreement and with the help of Catherine Bender of the Clerk's Office Staff I determined her maiden name. The problem being in the writing, as shown below:

In the second line of the agreement the name John S. Morris has an old fashioned S that seems to tie in with the name Morris. The M appears to be a W or possibly two l's. Her name, in the body of the agreement was Martha C. Morris with the C appearing to be a part of Morris, causing it to look something like "Collumans." Thomas S. Morris signed with a more modern looking S and his signature proved the name.

The agreement found in YC Marriage Bonds and Consents 1772-1894, pg. 284 read as follows:

"Know all men by these presents that we John Presson and Thomas S. Morris are held and firmly bound unto John Tyler, Esquire, Governor and Chief Magistrate of the Commonwealth of Virginia in the just and full sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars to be paid to the said Governor or his successors to which payment will and surely be made, we bind ourselves jointly and severally our joint and several heirs, executors; administrators firmly by these presents, sealed this 29th day of August 1809. The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas there is a marriage intended to be had and solomized between the above bound John Presson and Martha C. Morris, spinster, of the Parish of York Hampton and County of York. Now if there be no lawful cause to obstruct the said marriage then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to Remain in full Force and Virtue."

Signed and Delivered in presence of - -

John Presson - Seal
Thomas S. Morris - Seal

The second development that helped me was information from Mrs. Rebecca Hopkins, previously mentioned in the introduction, placing the Robert Presson that I was searching for as the son of IV-9 Benjamin Presson and his wife Elizabeth. I hadn't discovered this during research since no will was found for Benjamin.

Mrs. Hopkins, a descendant of this Robert stated that her parents referred to Robert's brother Callohill and his wife Tabitha as Uncle Cal and Aunt Tabby. Tabitha was younger than her husband and lived to a ripe old age. They also referred to the children of Callohill and Tabitha as cousins. Without this bit of information I would still be searching, and to think that within a few years this information would have been lost forever.

In genealogical research all things are supposed to be proven. My theory, as outlined below cannot be proven with documentation but as many genealogist have had to do I have formed a definite opinion and attempted to point out the supporting evidence.

After reviewing my notes and talking to Mrs. Hopkins and especially after finding the old marriage agreement, everything seemed to fall in place to my satisfaction to such a degree that I had an odd feeling, as if one of my ancestors had appeared to me and related the whole story. It was a story of hardships and sorrow and of happiness and love.

The will of IV-10 John Presson is shown here so that the reader will have a better understanding of the people involved

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN, I JOHN PRESSON of the County of York, Parish of Charles, being of sound mind and memory but in very ill health, do make this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following:

Viz 1 - It is my will that my son Robert Presson, possess my tract of land in James City County called and known by the name of Burnt Ordinary, also the tract of land on which I now reside with fifty acres of land lying and being in the "Oak Swamp" called and known by the name of "Wythe's?" I also give my said son Robert one of my best beds and furniture, one large trunk covered with deer skin and my Hand Mill to him and his Heirs forever.

2ndly - It is my will and desire that as soon as the crop now growing is secured, that my Negroes, Doll and Man be sold by the Executors and the money arising from the sale of said negroes, with the money due me on account of stock in trade with Thomas S. Morris of James City County, be equally divided for the advantage of my three children, Robert, Mary and Martha Presson and that when any one of my children arrives at the age of twenty one years or marries, that my negro woman Sall, be sold and the money arising from the sale be disposed of as the money heretofore devised in this clause and further that my remaining stock of negroes, with increase of Doll and Sall, should there be any previous to their being sold, be equally divided between my son Robert Presson and my two daughters, Mary and Martha Presson, to them and their Heirs forever.

I also give unto my daughters Mary and Martha, each of them, one of my best beds and furniture, one of which is now in James City County at Mr. Thomas S. Morris's and that particular bed I give my daughter Martha, and should Mrs. Morris charge board for her, the board is to be paid out of her portion and not out of my Estate.

3rdly - It is my will and desire that all the property which I may be possessed of at the time of my death, except that heretofore particularly given, be sold and the money arising from the sales of said property be equally divided among my three children, Robert, Mary and Martha Presson, share and share alike, after the payment of my just debts, to them and their Heirs forever, provided they arrive at the age of Twenty One Years or leave legal issue. For if either of my children should die before they come of age or leave issue it is my will that the property alloted to that one be possessed by the survivor of survivors equally. It is also my desire that my Plantation in James City County, before mentioned, be

rented out and so much of the rent as is absolutely necessary be appropriated to repairs of the houses. And my desire further is that one Yoke of Oxen and one Cow and Calf be kept on the plantation where I now reside for the young Negroes that may be left there and my Old Woman Pegg who I desire may not be removed or disturbed until my son Robert comes of age; at which time it is my will that he take good care of her the balance of her life.

4thly - I do hereby name and appoint (Note: Space left but names not listed) - Executors to this my will, In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed - this second day of August in the Year of Our Lord, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eleven, hereby revoking all and every other will by me heretofore made.

At a Court held for York County the 16th day of December 1811, This writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John Presson, dec. was produced in Court by Robert Presson and William Presson, Brothers of the decedent, for proof and thereupon Levin Smith, James Presson, Jr. and James Smith being duly sworn, deposed that they were present when the writing aforesaid was read to the said John Presson who declared the same to have been written to this satisfaction, whereupon the Court being of opinion that the said writing ought to establish as to the Devisees of the Personal Estate as the will of said John Presson, the same is ordered to be recorded and on the motion of Robert Presson and William Presson who made oath thereto according to law and together with Henry Howard, Sen. and Ransome Davis, their securities, entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of Eight Thousand Dollars, conditioned as the law directs, Certificate is granted them for obtaining letters of administration on the Estate of the said John Presson, dec with his last Will and Testament annexed in due form,

Notes concerning will: / Teste, Sam. Sheild, Jun.
Cl. Ct.

It is believed that "Burnt Ordinary" was an early name for the Toana Area. An ordinary was a waystop for stage coach and horseback travelers.

The fifty acres in "Oak Swamp" was apparently the same fifty acres willed to him by his father (III-18) Robert.

Once again the concern for slaves is shown by his reference to his "Old Woman Pegg." Apparently she had been a good servant and he didn't want her abused in her old age.

It appears that John may have made his will on his death bed and was too weak to name his executors or to sign it.

Several things in her father's will set Martha apart from the other children, such as the reference to the bed to be left her, presently in the home of Thomas S. Morris, who was her grandfather. Martha could not have been over two years old when orphaned since from the date of her father's marriage to Martha C. Morris to the date that his will was probated was barely over two years.

It now appears that this Martha was our ancestor, rather than her brother Robert, who I had previously tried to tie in, and that she married her first cousin Robert, the son of Benjamin and Tabitha? About the only other possibility would have been for this Robert to marry a Martha Morris in the same age bracket as Martha Morris Presson.

As mentioned at the beginning of this chapter, the real challenge in this work was in determining who the parents of my great grandmother Elizabeth Presson were. Summarized below are some of the reasons for believing that Martha Morris Presson, the daughter of John and Martha C. Morris Presson and Robert Presson, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth Presson are the correct ones.

First cousin marriages were commonplace in those days and they probably hadn't seen much of each other as children since Martha resided in James City Co.

No marrriage record can be found for their marriage since the license would have been obtained in James City County and those records were lost.

There is a record of marriage in York County for William Morris Presson, Sr. (a brother of Elizabeth Presson) showing that he was the son of Robert Presson and M.M. Presson.

Mrs. Robert Hudgins, whose husband was a grandson of Robert Presson and Martha Presson, confirmed to me that Robert Hudgin's mother was named Martha after her grand-mother, thus proving the first initial in M. M. Presson to be Martha.

IV-10 John Presson's second wife, the mother of our Martha was named Martha C. Morris. One of her grand-daughters was named Rebecca C. Presson. It is not known what the intial C. stood for in either but Rebecca C. Presson had a niece (the daughter of her sister Elizabeth) named Rebecca Catherine which may be a clue to the middle name of the others.

Census records prior to 1850 show only the head of a household by name and list other family members by age groups. The YC census for 1830 named Robert Presson as head of the household and being in age group 20 - 30 years. It also lists one white female between 20 and 30 years of age. The record also shows that there were two children in the household under the age of five. Since we know that Martha was born about 1810 she would fit in the proper age category and it would appear that Robert would have been about 30 years old.

Robert inherited the "Glebe Lands" from his Uncle William and it is known that his children were born there. This land passed to his daughter Rebecca and her husband Thomas Smith and then to their son John Magruder Smith. It was sold to an unrelated family of Smith's prior to World War I and later to the present owners, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Taylor.

Nothing more is known of John Presson's son Robert who was Martha's half brother. It is possible that he died between the dates of his father's will in 1811 and the will of his Uncle William in 1817 since William referred to his Nephew Robert when he comes of age. He would have had two nephews named Robert if John's son Robert was alive. This Robert was willed his father's lands in James City County and after the death of his father it is possible that he may have gone there to live with relatives, thereby being out of William's mind when he made his will in 1817. Neither the 1830 or 1840 census records of James City County list a Robert Presson as being the head of a household. So the mystery remains.

Several references were found relating to Martha's half sister Mary. After the death of her father she became a ward of William Bohannon. On December 10, 1815 he signed a marriage bond for his son James B. Bohannon (under age) to marry his ward, Mary Presson.

Just two years later, the following appears in the records: Ref: YC Guardian Accounts (1780-1823), Pg. 328.

December 15, 1817 - On a settlement between Wm. Bohannon as guardian of my late wife Mary, once Mary Presson and orphan of John Presson, deceased and myself as administrator

of my said late wife Mary, he the said William Bohannon having rendered a just, full and perfect account of all receipts and disbursements as guardian of aforesaid; paid unto my hands what balance appears due his said ward and delivered all property which came to his hands as guardian aforesaid. I have duly endorsed this receipt as a full and entire discharge of all and every claim or claims which may be exhibited against him as guardian of aforesaid, either by me or any other person or persons claiming or to claim by, through or under me.

Witness: Ro. Sheild, Jr. /s/ James B. Bohannon

This means that Mary died very young, possibly at child birth. This was not an isolated tragedy but a fairly common occurance in those days. In many old cemetaries can be found a few remaining stones with epitaphs such as - "Here lies Martha, with her baby cradled in her arms. Wife of William Smith, departed this life January 2, 1800, age 19."

Life was cruel and short by todays standards. Cold winters and epidemics (without the benefit of present day miracle drugs). It was a matter of "survival of the fittest." We should be very thankful for the advances in medical science.

The following agreement appears in YC Guardians Account Book (1780-1823), pg. 350. "Sept. 20th, 1819 - Upon a final settlement of the administration of William Presson, dec. on the Estate of John Presson, dec. between Charles M. Collier and Lewis Charles, acting Exors. of said William and myself as guardian of Martha Presson, orphan of said John Presson, a balance was found due the said orphan amounting to the sum of Six Hundred and Fifty Four Dollars and Seventy Six Cents, which (?) sum I as guardian as aforesaid have this day received in full of all demands against said Exors. as such and do hereby acquit them as also the Estate of their said Testator of all and every claim or claims whatsoever.

Teste: /s/ Robert Morris
James B. Bohannon as guardian #

At a court held for York County the 20th. day of Sep. 1819, this receipt was acknowledged by Robert Morris, guardian of Martha Morris, party thereto and ordered to be recorded.

Teste: Saml. Sheild, Cl.Ct.

#Robert Morris may have been an Uncle of Martha, who was about nine years of age at the time of the settlement. It is interesting to note that the agreement was signed by James B. Bohannon, thereby representing his late wife Mary (Presson) Bohannon, daughter of John Presson and half-sister to Martha.

One of the interesting aspects in the study of genealogy is the chance element, or what a gambler would refer to as the "odds" against a particular person being born in a specific time period. When one looks back at the chain of people that produced us, we realize that just one broken link in that chain would have meant that we wouldn't be here. For example, if our ancestor Martha, orphaned at the tender age of one or possibly two, had not lived to womanhood, generations of people, past and present, would not have lived. Of course the Robert that she married would possibly have married another and had descendants but they would have been an entirely different group of people. Some would refer to such things as predestination; others may refer to it as fate.

Our ancestor Robert died young. In YC Will Bk. 12, pg. 361 we find a settlement of his estate in June 1839, by James Smith, Administrator. A summary of inventory and appraisal of his estate was made on the 25th. day of November 1839. Due to the interesting and trivial items shown and the prices involved, a list of items sold at auction, as copied from the records, is shown below:

Item	Value (D.C.)	To whom sold	D.C.
Man Charles	$ 700.00		
Boy Jim	500.00	Humphrey Harwood	$ 501.00
Boy Henry	250.00		
Boy Argile (Small)	75.00		
Woman Lucy	300.00		
1 bed, furn. and stead	15.00	Edward Mason	19.00
6 chairs	.75	Martha M. Presson	.75
Oval black walnut table	2.00	" " "	1.00
Bureau	4.00	" " "	2.50
Small square pine table	.50	" " "	.50
British Musket	1.50	Henry Smith	1.50
Musket Iron Bound	2.00	Levin Smith	1.13½
Sword	.25	John Love	.12½
6 plates and 1 dish	.75	Martha M. Presson	.75
Teapot, cups, saucers, etc.	.25	William Burcher	.15
Candle stick, salt seller, pepper___and large spoon	.25	Martha M. Presson	.25
Knives and forks	.12½	" " "	.12½
1 lard pot	.50	" " "	.50
2 jugs	.50	Richard M. Crandol	.50
Old case	.18¾	Wm. Cook	.06¾
Old chest	.18¾	" "	.21
Bed furniture & stead	15.00	Martha M. Presson	15.00

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Bed stead (Low)	10.00	" " "	10.00
Oval table (maple)	.50	Anthony Bowen	.50
Dressing table & glass	1.00	Martha M. Presson	1.00
1 red chest	.50	" " "	.50
And Irons and tongs	1.00	" " "	1.00
Drag, 1st choice	1.50	Levin Smith	1.25
" 2nd "	1.00	Martha M. Presson	1.00
Plough, 1st. choice	1.00	Levin Smith	.99
" 2nd "	.50	Edward Mason	? ??
Old axe	.75	Wm. Cook	.57
2 hoes	.50	Wm. T. Wilburne	.62½
Loom	1.50	Wm. Cook	.90
Lot of barrels	.12½	" "	.31¼
Lot- old iron	.25	Chr. Whiten	.12½
pair old And Irons	.06¼	John Patrick	.06¼
Scythe and cradle	1.00	Levin Smith	.62½
Axe	.75	Martha M. Presson	.75
Kettle	1.00	Wm. Crandol	1.00
Tea kettle	.50	Martha M. Presson	.50
Spider	.25	" " "	.25
Ox cart	12.00	" " "	12.00
Tumbrel	13.50	" " "	13.50
Gray mare	60.00	" " "	60.00
Bay filly	55.00	Jerrard Peek	52.00
Old sow, black spotted	3.50	Martha M. Presson	3.50
5 hogs in pen	25.00	" " "	25.00
Yoke of oxen	37.50	" " "	35.50
Black cow	12.00	" " "	12.00
Dark brinole cow & calf	15.00	" " "	15.00
Dark red cow	12.00	Levin Smith	16.50
Yoke of young steers	25.00	Callohill Presson	25.00
Small dark brown steer	8.00	Francis Lindsay	8.25
_____? heifer	8.00	Callohill Presson	8.25
Top fodder, 12½ cts. per ft.	4.00	Martha M. Presson	4.00
Blade fodder ___? stack	6.00	" " "	6.00
Canoe	10.00	" " "	10.00
Lot Bee hive	-----	Allen Chapman	2.35
Corn @ $2.50/18 barrels	45.00	Martha M. Presson	45.00

Total Amount: $928.94 & ¼

Christopher Curtis
Robert G. Buchanan
Robert M. Harwood, appraisers

Jn. P. Mallicote,
Keeper of acct. of sales

Returned unto YC Court the 19th. day of December 1842 by Richard Crandol, the Administrator and on his motion ordered to be recorded.

Some of the items are listed by names not familar to this generation. For example, a "spider" was the name used for a long handled, iron frying pan. Tumbrel refers to a self dumping cart. Most of the others are self explanatory. It is interesting to note that some items ended up in ¼ cents. Half cent coins were in circulation but it is not known how they settled in ¼ cents.

It would be interesting to know just how much the above listed items would bring on todays market. The oval black walnut table alone would bring a large sum at auction. Who among the many descendants would not love to own it.

It is not known why it dragged out but final settlement of Robert's Estate wasn't made until 1854, at which time his son in law, John Perrin Smith was the administrator. It lists payments to Drs. King in the amount of $50.00; Dr. Corbin, $6.50; Dr. Ro. Power, $3.50; cost of chancery suits over division of land, slaves, etc. After other miscellaneous expenditures the amount of $258.71 turned over to John P. Smith from the previous administrator was all expended except $6.32 which was listed as due the estate.

Martha Presson was left a widow at the death of her husband in 1838 with four young children, all below the age of seven. It is assumed that she remained at the Presson home. She remarried in 1845. We find the following entry in YC Marriage Bonds and Consents 1772-1849, Pg. 411. "On the 17th. day of July 1845, signed a certificate for John M. Kimball to marry Martha M. Presson, widow of Robert Presson of Parish of Charles, York County, Va." The entry was not signed but it is assumed that it was entered by the County Clerk of Courts.

There is a long, repetitious marriage agreement, between Martha and her husband John Kimball, recorded in YC Deed Book #14, pgs. 187 through 190 with excerpts as follows:

"This Indenture Tripartite made this 25th. day of September in the year 1845, between John M. Kimball and Martha his wife of the County of York of the first part, Thomas Peck of Eliza, City County, Trustee, of the second part and Martha Kimball, wife of the said John M. Kimball of the third part. Whereas a marriage has recently been solomnized by and between the said John M. and Martha Kimball which said Martha was widow and relict of Robert Presson, deceased and had at the time

of her intermarriage with the said John M. Kimball four children, viz: Robert, Elizabeth, William and Rebecca Presson who are now living and under age and whereas the said Martha at the time of her intermarriage with the said John Kimball was possessed of a small personal estate, consisting chiefly of articles of household and kitchen furniture, farming implements, horses, cattle and hogs. _____ due and owing to her divers ____ in action embracing sundry claims due to her for clothing, supporting, maintaining and schooling her said children which are still due and unpaid and the said Martha as widow of the said Robert Presson was then and still is entitled to her dower and distributive share in the real and personal estate of Robert Presson (there never having been any division or distribution of said Estate) - - - and whereas it is the wish and intention of the said John M. Kimball, etc." - (To state in simple terms what is repeated over and over through several more pages, John M. Kimball relinquished any right to the property that Martha had at the time of their marriage or any other property that may come into her possession. This is the last that we know of Martha. It is assumed that they remained in the area since the children married in York County but the name Kimball cannot be found in York County or area records after 1845.

This Tulip Poplar which grew over a fresh water spring is located on the old Presson Homeplace. It is about 10ft. in diameter and estimated to be about 1000 years old.

PART IV

Introductory Notes

The climax to my story is based on the first cousin marriage but just in case someone produces evidence later that I was wrong, the descendants listed in Part IV are shown as being descendants of Robert Presson and his wife Martha M. Presson, which would be correct in either case.

As mentioned in the previous chapter, two children under the age of five were listed in the YC Census for 1830 under the name of Robert Presson. The daughter apparently died young since no further record can be found for her but bible records confirm that their oldest son would fit in this category. The surviving children of Robert and Martha were:

Robert Presson (b) May 9, 1828 - See Part IV, Chapter 1
Elizabeth M. Presson (b) Apr. 11,1832 - Pt.IV, Chapter 2
Rebecca C. Presson (b) October 8, 1836 - Pt.IV, Chapter 3
William M. Presson (b) 1837 - See Part IV, Chapter 4

The exact date of birth of William M. Presson is not known but YC Marriage Register #1 (1854-1928), Pg.2, line 46 shows that he was married on February 20, 1861 and he gave his age as 24 years of age at the time and that the bride Mary Smith was 19 years of age. No definite death date is available for William but my Uncle John F. Smith (now deceased) stated that he attended his funeral when he was a young man and believed that it may have been about 1912.

It is interesting to note that three of the four children of Robert and Martha M. Presson married children of Peter B. and Catherine G. Smith. Children by these marriages were therefore "double first cousins."

An attempt has been made in the next four chapters to list some of the descendants of the above four children of Robert and Martha M. Presson. Space does not permit very much supplemental information on the people listed such as places of residence, occupations or interesting stories pertaining to some of them. My research and conversations with various family members disclosed that a wide range of professions and vocations have been represented throughout the years.

PART IV - Chapter 1

DESCENDANTS OF ROBERT AND FRANCES PRESSON

Robert, son of Robert and Martha M. Presson married Frances Carmines on March 6, 1851. She was born March 1, 1834 and died Oct. 22, 1873. He died Nov. 11, 1886. They had seven children:

1. Martha Anne Presson (December 3, 1851) (July 6, 1933)
2. William Callohill Presson (December 18,1854) (Aug. 25,1926)
3. Robert Thomas Presson (March 25, 1858) (October 23, 1897)
4. Susan Rebecca Presson (August 29, 1861) (March 30, 1900)
5. Mary Elizabeth Presson (March 5, 1864) (September 21,1913)
6. Benjamin F. Presson (July 5, 1867) (May 18, 1901)
7. Frances Presson (August 26, 1870) (March 21, 1940)

1. Martha Anne Presson (m) Benjamin Samuel Hudgins who was born April 10, 1856 and died March 2, 1933. They had one son:

A. Robert Presson Hudgins (March 5, 1888) (May 15, 1969. He married Flossie Mae Wooster who was born August 28, 1894 and died Jan. 23, 1979. They were the parents of three children:

(1) Robert Jennings Hudgins (b) October 26, 1914. He married Grace E. Blackman and they have two daughters:

a. Bonnie J. Hudgins (b) April 21, 1949
b. Roberta S. Hudgins (b) June 23, 1950. She married Lane Sisson and they have a daughter:

aa. Stephanie L. Sisson (b) September 29, 1973

(2) Otis Fayette Hudgins (b) Sep. 17, 1922. He married Etheline Smith. They have two sons:

a. Steven Fay Hudgins (b) July 11, 1946. He married Mildred Hall.

b. George David Hudgins (b) April 10, 1953

Otis Fayette Hudgins married 2nd: Dorothy Pauline Hodges.

(3) Florence Evelyn Hudgins (b) November 23, 1930. She married Robert L. Waring. They reside in Severna Park, Maryland and have three daughters:

a. Martha Anne Waring (b) May 25, 1956
b. Evelyn Roberta Waring (b) September 25, 1957
c. Betty Page Waring (b) March 7, 1962

2. William Callohill Presson (m) Pamela V. Forrest on December 25, 1879. They resided in Mathews County, Va. She died

Nov. 28, 1934 at the age of eighty. They had two children:
A. Granville Sears Presson (Dec. 18, 1880) (Jan. 21, 1961)
B. Grace G. Presson (Oct. 17, 1885) (May 5, 1944)

A. Granville S. Presson (m) Lillie Ann Callis on Nov. 17, 1904. She was born April 2, 1886 and died December 19, 1975. They had three daughters:

(1) Lola Sears Presson (b) August 12, 1905 (m) Grayson Diggs on June 10, 1922. Lola died April 21, 1923.

(2) Lillie Beryl Presson (b) June 12, 1912
(3) Pam Elizabeth Presson (June 15, 1915) (June 27, 1915)

(2) Lillie Beryl Presson (m) William Elwood Hudgins who was born February 2, 1908. They have five children:

a. William Coville Hudgins (b) December 30, 1928
b. Nancy Rosamond Hudgins (b) March 6, 1930
c. Rita Presson Hudgins (b) May 19, 1934
d. Gloria Ann Hudgins (b) November 18, 1935
e. Lola Delphine Hudgins (b) April 27, 1937

a. William Coville Hudgins (m) Joyce E. Hutson. They had three sons:

aa. Charles Hutson Hudgins (b) January 9, 1949
bb. William Steven Hudgins (Aug. 21, 1950) (Aug. 20, 1972)
cc. Allen Edward Hudgins (b) September 9, 1960

aa. Charles Hutson Hudgins (m) Carol Lynne McGehee. They have a daughter:

aaa. Angela Gay Hudgins (b) April 26, 1981

b. Nancy Rosamond Hudgins (m) Paul Everett Hudgins and they have three children:

aa. Don Ray Hudgins (b) August 14, 1948
bb. Paul Granville Hudgins (b) July 31, 1957
cc. Melissa Joanne Hudgins (b) August 23, 1964

Paul Everett Hudgins died July 11, 1968 and Nancy married Howard Broaddus, February 19, 1972.

aa. Don Ray Hudgins (m) Karen Elizabeth Carper. They have two children:

aaa. Jason Paul Hudgins (b) June 29, 1971
bbb. Candace Neville Hudgins (b) September 20, 1976

c. Rita Presson Hudgins (m) Paul T. Revere. They have one son:

aa. Wayne Tilton Revere (b) December 3, 1962

d. Gloria Ann Hudgins (m) Franklin Dewey Haywood. Their son:
aa. Franklin Ray Haywood (b) January 7, 1954. Married Lola Lynette Edenfield on February 17, 1979.

e. Lola Delphine Hudgins (m) James Monroe Hambleton. They had three daughters:
aa. Beryl Ann Hambleton (b) May 23, 1961 married Miles Boisseau on May 13, 1981.
bb. Patricia Lynn Hambleton (Mar. 22, 1963) (July 19, 1963)
cc. Brenda Kay Hambleton (b) April 12, 1966

B. Grace G. Presson, daughter of William Callohill and Pamela V. Presson (m) Thomas Banks who was born April 2, 1893 and died March 17, 1966. They had one daughter:

(1) Wertley Banks (b) July 18, 1905 (m) Earnest R. Woodson who was born June 25, 1898 and died May 27, 1972. Their son:

a. Paul L. Woodson was born Jan. 2, 1925. He married Inez Hudgins. They divorced and he married 2nd: Joyce Nohen. Paul L. Woodson died March 19, 1979. Paul and Joyce Nohen Woodson had one son:

aa. Paul Lester Woodson, Jr. (b) October 22, 1958 who married Deborah Jean Wilson on October 24, 1981.

3. Robert Thomas Presson, third child of Robert and Frances Carmines Presson did not marry.

4. Rebecca Presson married William W. Chellis who was born January 16, 1857 and died February 12, 1894. They had seven children:

A. William S. Chellis (January 18, 1880) (March 10, 1880)
B. Fred S. Chellis (b) October 16, 1881
C. Robert R. Chellis (born and died February 23, 1884)
D. Maude Chellis (b) July 15, 1886 (m) Thomas S. Richardson. She died August 13, 1905.
E. Rebecca Lillian Chellis (Nov. 18, 1888) (April 18, 1966)
F. William Clifton Chellis (b) June 24, 1891
G. Walker W. Chellis (b) April 30, 1894

E. Rebecca Lillian Chellis (m) John David McCoy and they had four children:

(1) Walter Allen McCoy (Jan. 16, 1906) (Nov. 26, 1972) He did not marry.
(2) Wilton Clifton McCoy (1903 - 1978) married Grace Reed, they had no children. He married 2nd: Marie _____ and had a son:

a. Wilton Clifton McCoy, Jr.

(3) Charles David McCoy (Dec. 19 1909) (Sep. 14, 1955) (m) Mary Evelyn Savedge who was born September 17, 1910. They had one daughter:

a. Mary Evelyn McCoy (b) May 21, 1939. She married Robert Edward Maitland and they have a daughter:

aa. Alexandra Christine Maitland (b) Jan. 28, 1971

(4) John Linwood McCoy (b) July 8, 1912 (m) Helen Mildred Holland. They had three children:

a. Helen Patricia McCoy (b) May 22, 1935
b. John Linwood McCoy,Jr. (b) July 11, 1942
c. David Fenton McCoy (b) November 8, 1947

a. Helen Patricia (m) Donald T. Davis. They have four children:

aa. Elizabeth Ann Davis (b) December 25, 1954
bb. Terry Lynn Davis (b) September 3, 1957
cc. Donna Gay Davis (b) September 26, 1959
dd. Linda Davis (b) April 3, 1964

aa. Elizabeth Ann (m) Christopher L. Flack. They had a son:

aaa. Justin Lee Flack (b) September 1, 1980.
Elizabeth Ann (m) 2nd: Luke Oliver Campbell

bb. Terry Lynn (m) Jeffrey Fulp. They have a son:

aaa. Jason Fulp (b) August 24, 1980

cc. Donna Gay (m) Barry White

b. John Linwood, Jr. (m) Cheryl Vance. They have three children:

aa. Shannon McCoy (b) April 1, 1970
bb. Shaun Michael McCoy (b) September 23, 1971
cc. Shane Mathew McCoy (b) February 11, 1978
John Linwood, Jr. (m) 2nd: Margaret Conner

c. David Fenton (m) Martha Ann Whitmore. They have a son:

aa. David Fenton McCoy, Jr. (b) February 4, 1972

E. Rebecca Lillian Chellis McCoy (m) 2nd: Fredrick L. Duke. They had two sons:

(1) Fredrick L. Duke, Jr. (July 15, 1927) (July 15, 1976)

(2) James Thurston Duke (b) March 2, 1930

(1) Frederick Duke, Jr. (m) Mattie Joanne Pettis. They had four children:

a. Rebecca Lillian Duke (b) September 20, 1952
b. Frederick L. Duke, II (b) November 7, 1955
c. Linda Marie Duke (b) May 27, 1960
d. James Calvin Duke (b) June 1964

a. Rebecca Lillian (m) Michael Goddard. They have two children:

aa. Michael Lee Goddard (b) January 4, 1973 #
bb. Christine Michell Goddard (b) July 3, 1975 #
Rebecca Lillian (m) 2nd: Jerry Wayne Edwards and they have a son:

aa. Richard Edwards (b) February 13, 1981
#Rebecca's children by previous marriage adopted and name changed to Edwards.

b. Frederick L. Duke, II (m) Karen Rowe

c. Linda Marie married Terry Harper and they have two sons:

aa. Terry Harper, Jr. (b) September 30, 1977
bb. Charles Anthony Harper (b) January 29, 1979

(2) James Thurston Duke (m) Ellen Patricia Hitchcock. They have two daughters:

a. Debra Lynn Duke (b) August 29, 1956
b. Caren Sue Duke (b) July 19, 1963

a. Debra Lynn (m) Daniel W. Langevin and they have two children:

aa. Tracy Denise Langevin (b) January 24, 1977
bb. Daniel W. Langevin, Jr. (b) July 4, 1979

G. Walker W. Chellis (m) Julia Lillian Bleemke. She was born April 11, 1892 and died July 1, 1979. They had three sons:

(1) Thomas Wilton Chellis (b) April 14, 1917
(2) Joseph David Chellis (b) December 20, 1921
(3) James Sidney Chellis (b) October 15, 1923

Information on the Chellis family was taken from an old family bible owned by Walker W. Chellis, which was previously owned by his grandmother. Walker resides in Baltimore, Md.

4. Rebecca Presson Chellis married 2nd: Shadrack Outten on May 22, 1895. Ref: YC Marriage Records. He was born March 30, 1853 and died November 16, 1922. They had one daughter:

H. Mary Ellen Outten (Jan. 16, 1898) (Nov. 21, 1974). She married Raymond Frederick Becker who was born Oct. 9, 1883 and died Nov. 27, 1957. They had two sons:

(1) Charles Raymond Becker (b) September 9, 1920 (m) Opal Mae Giles who was born in 1923. They have no children.

(2) Bruce Lloyd Becker (b) Feb. 21, 1923 (m) Catherine Marie Sealey who was born Feb. 19, 1927. Their children and grandchildren are:

a. Bruce Randolph Becker (b) January 12, 1953 (m) Marion Elizabeth Andrews. They have a child:

aa. Merideth Elise Becker (b) April 25, 1981

b. Leon Dale Becker (b) Oct. 20, 1954 (m) Patty Hughes

5. Mary Elizabeth Presson, child of Robert and Frances Carmines Presson was born (March 5, 1864-from tombstone) or (May 5, 1865-from family bible). She married William Magruder Moore who was born June 27, 1861 and died August 25, 1916. They had seven children:

A. Fannie B. Moore (May 18, 1893) (Sep. 10, 1959)
B. Mary Lou Moore (February 8, 1896) (February 10, 1975)
C. Emma M. Moore (January 8, 1898 (January 23, 1969)
D. William Clifton Moore (b) August 24, 1899
E. Jessie Lee Moore (September 8, 1901) (May 10, 1938)
F. Robert Dewey Moore (August 14, 1903) (May 1923)
G. Carroll Presson Moore (February 3, 1907) (Feb. 10, 1944)

A. Fannie B. Moore (m) Elwood Mouring. Their daughter:

(1) Della Mae Mouring (b) May 25, 1911 (m) Raymond C. Stinnett. One son was born of this marriage:

a. Ray Cole Stinnett, Jr. (b) December 21, 1944

A. Fannie B. Moore (m) 2nd: George Alfonza Callis, their son:

(1) George Roger Callis (b) April 6, 1916 (m) Virginia Conway Allen from Anniston, Alabama. Their children are:

a. George R. Callis, Jr. (b) May 6, 1943
b. Robert Downs Callis (b) February 20, 1946

a. George R. Callis, Jr. (m) Patricia Alice Massey. They had:

aa. Patricia Susan Callis (b) February 22, 1969
bb. Roger Daniel Callis (b) December 23, 1972
cc. Catherine Irene (Harris) Callis - Adopted

a. George R. Callis, Jr. (m) 2nd: Janet Marie Hanks

b. Robert Downs Callis (m) Drema Sue Hume. They have three children:

aa. Stephanie Dawn Callis (b) September 6, 1974
bb. Robert Downs Callis, Jr. (b) April 1, 1978
cc. Jeanette Hope Callis (b) October 10, 1981

B. Mary Lou Moore (m) Lafayette W. Williams who was born August 26, 1888 and died Jan. 11, 1978. They had no children.

C. Emma M. Moore (m) Edward Freeman who was born Feb. 21, 1886 and died October 27, 1963. They had two children:

(1) Lelia Freeman (b) January 19, 1915
(2) Manfred Freeman (b) September 24, 1923

(1) Lelia Freeman (m) Albert Hathcock and 2nd: Ferral Cain. There are no children by either marriage.

(2) Manfred Freeman (m) Juanita Shields. They had two children:

a. Manfred Freeman, Jr. (b) January 5, 1947 (m) Linda Rexrode.

b. Linda Freeman (b) August 17, 1948 (m) James Ogg.

(2) Manfred Freeman, Sr. (m) 2nd: Frances DeGinder

D. William Clifton Moore, presently 82 years of age (m) Beulah Amelia Topping who was born August 10, 1902. They have three children:

(1) Marvin Clifton Moore (b) November 3, 1920
(2) Robert Cecil Moore (b) June 17, 1924
(3) Beulah Mae Moore (b) August 25, 1930

(1) Marvin C. Moore (m) Eva Miles. They have two children:

a. Marvin C. Moore, Jr. (b) July 19, 1950
b. William Spencer Moore (b) August 8, 1953

a. Marvin C. Moore, Jr. married Lana V. Healy and they have two children:

aa. Tina Marie Moore (b) December 2, 1971
bb. Candi Lynne Moore (b) July 16, 1976

(2) Robert Cecil Moore married Elizabeth Miles. They have three children:

a. Vivian Gail Moore (b) September 23, 1948
b. Robert Cecil Moore, Jr. (b) May 11, 1952
c. Elizabeth Sheryl Moore (b) April 26, 1958. She married Christopher Norfleet Cartee on August 8, 1981

a. Vivian Gail Moore married David Ross Tetsloff. They have two children:

aa. David Ross Tetsloff, Jr. (b) January 3, 1971
bb. Heidi Lynn Tetsloff (b) March 9, 1975

(3) Beulah Mae Moore married Ray Carmines. They have four daughters:

a. Deborah Lynn Carmines (b) August 20, 1954
b. Brenda Adele Carmines (b) August 31, 1955
c. Eileen Ray Carmines (b) March 11, 1957
d. Carol Renee Carmines (b) April 5, 1966

a. Deborah Lynn Carmines (m) Robert Riggins. They have a child:

aa. Jamie Nicole Riggins (b) May 9, 1981

b. Brenda A. Carmines (m) Michael C. Moore. They have a child:

aa. Erin Raylah Moore (b) July 16, 1981

E. Jessie Lee Moore, son of William Magruder and Mary E. Presson Moore married Lucille Tabb. They had eight children:

(1) Alma Elizabeth Moore (b) April 3, 1926
(2) Jessie Lee Moore, Jr. (March 14, 1927) (May 10, 1928)
(3) Ann Joyce Moore (b) March 7, 1929
(4) Dorothy Leigh Moore (b) March 17, 1930
(5) Robert Edward Moore (Sep. 21, 1931) (Dec. 28, 1935)
(6) Gerald Fay Moore (b) September 19, 1933
(7) Mary Lou Moore (b) September 14, 1935
(8) Donald Ray Moore (b) October 21, 1936

(1) Alma E. Moore (m) Thomas W. Messick. They have four children:

a. Patricia Jean Messick (b) December 12, 1942
b. Alma Carol Messick (b) July 31, 1944
c. Thomas Wesley Messick, Jr. (b) November 28, 1951
d. Kenneth Ray Messick (b) October 2, 1955

a. Patricia Jean (m) William Fay Firman. They have:

aa. Leslie Faye Firman (b) July 8, 1962
bb. Wesley Randall Firman (b) December 27, 1968

b. Alma Carol (m) Robert Hartness Forrest. They have:

aa. Robert Brian Forrest (b) May 8, 1962
bb. Melanie Ann Forrest (b) March 15, 1964

c. Thomas Wesley (m) Kimberly Ann Firth. Their children are:

aa. Paul Michael Messick (b) December 2, 1972
bb. Scott Edward Messick (b) July 17, 1981

(3) Ann Joyce Moore (m) Charles R. Harris. Their children are:

a. Joyce Ann Harris (b) July 29, 1946
b. Charles Robert Harris, Jr. (b) June 21, 1948
c. Sandra Faye Harris (b) January 19, 1950
d. Caron Lee Harris (b) December 15, 1951
e. Ronald Wayne Harris (b) November 20, 1952
f. Jennifer Lynn Harris (b) January 25, 1954
g. Michael Ray Harris (b) February 25, 1955
h. Sylvia Kaye Harris (b) May 26, 1956
i. Theresa Adell Harris (b) September 3, 1957
j. Jessie Lee Harris (b) September 17, 1959
k. Susan Ren'e Harris (b) September 26, 1963

a. Joyce Ann (m) John L. Cross. They had three children:

aa. John Leroy Cross (b) August 20, 1960
bb. Lisa Marie Cross (b) March 21, 1967
cc. Wendy Michelle Cross (b) September 10, 1968

Joyce Ann divorced and (m) 2nd: David R. Campbell. They have:

dd. Jeremy David Campbell (b) December 19, 1977
ee. Bradley Buford Campbell (b) October 5, 1979
ff. Amy Elizabeth Campbell (b) August 7, 1981

b. Charles R. Harris, Jr. (m) Delores Ann Adams. They have:

aa. Tammy Lynn Harris (b) April 12, 1967
bb. Charles R. Harris, III (Feb 22, 1969) (Jan. 4, 1975)
cc. Robin Denice Harris (b) June 23, 1970

c. Sandra Faye Harris (m) Teddy Boggs. They have:

aa. Teddy David Boggs (b) February 4, 1968
bb. Danny Lee Boggs (b) March 19, 1971
cc. Kimberly Michelle Boggs (b) August 22, 1972

Sandra divorced and married 2nd: Oscar Kenneth Handle. They have:

dd. Kenneth Wayne Handle (b) March 26, 1976

d. Caron Lee Harris (m) Tate Young. They had two children:

aa. Bonnie Kaye Young (b) December 4, 1968
bb. Jessie Ann Young (b) August 22, 1970

Caron divorced and (m) 2nd: James H. Ard, Jr. They had one child:

cc. James Harold Ard, III (b) February 3, 1974

They divorced and she married 3rd: Chuck Rogers.

e. Ronald Wayne Harris (m) Wanda Lee Sanders. They have:

aa. Ronald Wayne Harris, Jr. (b) April 16, 1974
bb. Jason Scott Harris (b) April 16, 1976
cc. Dale Alan Harris (b) August 28, 1977

f. Jennifer Lynn Harris (m) John Henderson. They had:

aa. John Wayne Henderson # (b) January 10, 1969

Jennifer divorced and married 2nd: Randolph C. Rose. They have:

bb. Bonnie Elaine Rose (b) September 13, 1977
cc. Beverly Lynn Rose (b) June 28, 1979

#John Wayne Henderson changed to John Wayne Rose.

h. Sylvia Kaye Harris (m) Barry Wayne Betts. They have:

aa. Kristal Ren'e Betts (b) October 28, 1974
bb. Kelly Theresa Betts (b) August 17, 1977
cc. Barry Wayne Betts, Jr. (b) September 27, 1979

i. Theresa Adell Harris (m) Paul G. Vinson. They have:

aa. Paul Anthony Vinson (b) September 22, 1974
bb. Kevin David Vinson (b) May 4, 1977
cc. Virginia Ann Vinson (b) September 1, 1981

(4) Dorothy Leigh Moore (m) Pinkney R. Hamilton. They had:

a. Timothy Osborne Hamilton (Jan. 25,1959) (Oct. 17,1979)

Timothy (m) Debra Leigh Blanton, Aug. 27, 1977 and they had:

aa. Timothy William Roth Hamilton (b) March 19, 1978

(6) Gerald Fay Moore (m) Joyce Brenda Anderson. They have:

a. Julie Annette Moore (b) May 10, 1967

(7) Mary Lou Moore (m) 1st: Preston Holloway; 2nd: Peter Dorn and 3rd: Jack Hux. Children by second marriage:

a. Shirley Dorn (b) July 24, 1955 (m) Edward Stienke. Children:

aa. Michael Adam Stienke and bb. Gena Stienke

b. Donna Mae Dorn (b) February 4, 1958

c. Peter William Dorn (b) November 30, 1959

(8) Donald Ray Moore (m) Patsy Anne Richardson. They have: a. Donald Ray Moore,Jr. (b) Aug. 9, 1960 (m) Lori Ann Harrell. They have: aa. Stephen Ray Moore (b) Apr. 26, 1982.

b. David Lee Moore (b) Sep. 19, 1963 (m) Ramona Lee Rector. They have: aa. Rachael Nacole Moore (b) Jan. 2,1981

F. Robert Dewey Moore died young. He did not marry.

G. Carroll Presson Moore married Minnie Sue Carmines, who was born March 17, 1908 and died March 4, 1952. They had two sons:

(1) Thomas Carroll Moore (April 3, 1928) (Sep. 10, 1967)
(2) Charles Presson Moore (b) April 10, 1944

(1) Thomas Carroll Moore (m) Frances Bridgewater. They had a son:

a. Thomas Carroll Moore, Jr. (b) February 16, 1959

(2) Charles Presson Moore (m) Brenda Searls and they have three children:

a. Davin Carroll Moore (b) May 23, 1967
b. Robert Dewey Moore (b) June 6, 1969
c. Charlotte Elizabeth Moore (b) August 31, 1971

6. Benjamin F. Presson, sixth child of Robert and Frances Carmines Presson (m) Ada Forrest who was born January 17,1876 and died April 9, 1943. They lived in Mathews County, Va. and had three children:

A. Delmar Presson (March 26, 1896) (September 20, 1961)
B. Robert Thomas Presson (October 5, 1898) (August 14,1966)
C. Virginia Lillian Presson (b) September 1, 1900

An interesting story relates to this family. Benjamin F. Presson was deceased when Delmar Presson started school. His teacher advised him that Presson was not a proper name and that his name would be Preston on the school records. Apparently the other two children had the same teacher or their mother thought it best for all to use the same family name, so they grew up as Preston's. This information may prove very valuable to some future genealogist.

A. Delmar Preston married Sarah Hudgins who was born May 29, 1902. They had:

(1) Naomi Preston (April 8, 1923) (August 1, 1939)*

(2) Albert Benjamin Preston (April 28,1926)(Aug. 1, 1939)*
(3) Pauline Moore Preston (b) October 24, 1928

* A tragedy occured on August 1, 1939 when both of these children drowned. Naomi perished while trying to save her brother.

(3) Pauline M. Preston married James Blake Callis. They have a son:

a. James Albert Callis (b) June 17, 1952

B. Robert Thomas Preston (m) Alethia Hudgins who was born February 18, 1900. They were married on November 18, 1919. They had two sons:

(1) Robert T. Preston, Jr. (b) May 24, 1925
(2) Benjamin Franklin Preston (b) August 5, 1936. He died January 25, 1959 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

(1) Robert T. Preston, Jr. (m) Georgia Lee Hudgins. They have three children:

a. Robert Wayne Preston (b) July 16, 1947
b. Gilbert Keith Preston(b) October 19, 1950
c. Brenda Maxine Preston(b) March 20, 1952

a. Robert Wayne (m) Sandra Swartz. They have a son:

aa. Robert Wayne Preston, Jr. (b) March 30, 1977

b. Gilbert Keith married Carol Moss.

c. Brenda Maxine (m) Mark Steven Lewis and they have two sons:

aa. Ryan Lewis (b) May 21, 1972
bb. Jonathan Gabriel Lewis (b) December 18, 1976

C. Virginia L. Preston (m) George Ray Hudgins who was born January 28, 1891 and died April 12, 1969. They had a son:

(1) Robert Ray Hudgins (b) August 28, 1922 who married Jeanette Forrest. They have two children:

a. Robert Forrest Hudgins (b) December 31, 1944
b. Lou Anne Hudgins (b) November 7, 1953

a. Robert Forrest Hudgins married Diane Lyell and they have two sons:

aa. Gerald Ray Hudgins (b) May 10, 1968
bb. Robbie Lee Hudgins (b) August 14, 1970

b. Lou Anne Hudgins married Carl McLee Diggs, Jr. They

have two daughters:

aa. Julia Anne Diggs (b) September 4, 1975
bb. Christy Lynn Diggs (b) October 3, 1979

7. Frances (Fannie Bell) Presson (m) John Wesley Watkins of Isle of Wight County, on March 29, 1892. He was born August 1, 1869 and died May 12, 1956. They had six children:

A. Milton P. Watkins (March 14, 1893)(May 8, 1961)
B. John W. Watkins, Jr. (March 9, 1895)(May 1941)
C. Clifton Watkins (b) Nov. 9, 1896; died in infancy
D. Carrie Lee Watkins (b) September 14, 1898
E. Cecil R. Watkins (b) October 9, 1906
F. Fannie Pearl Watkins (Jan. 14, 1909)(Jan. 15, 1982)

A. Milton P. Watkins (m) Lottie Wyatt in 1916 and they had a son:
(1) Milton Presson Watkins, Jr. who resides in Phila, Pa. He married 2nd: Edith Barham. There were no children by this marriage.

B. John W. Watkins, Jr. married Pauline Wooster. They had four children:
(1) John F. Watkins (b) April 21, 1923
(2) Donald Ellsworth Watkins (b) August 13, 1927
(3) Allen Watkins (November 15, 1928)(December 17, 1937)
(4) Sylvia Watkins (b) April 14, 1935

(1) John F. Watkins (m) Elizabeth Davis. They have two children:
a. Anna Katherine Watkins (b) September 9, 1950
b. John Frederick Watkins, Jr.(b) November 17, 1956

a. Anna K. Watkins (m) Walter Keith Marsette. They have:

aa. Elizabeth Katherine Marsette (b) September 4, 1969
bb. Joanne Karyn Marsette (b) November 13, 1973

(2) Donald E. Watkins married Olivia Manning. Their son:

a. Donald E. Watkins, Jr (b) Nov. 4, 1951 (m) Lois Sadler and they have two children:

aa. Tracy Michelle (b) April 9, 1974
bb. Donald Christopher (b) October 7, 1977

(4) Sylvia Watkins married Elton L. Horn. Their children are:
a. John L. Horn (b) Oct. 12,1955 (m) Elizabeth Richardson.
b. Elbert Horn (b) April 24, 1957
c. Vanessa Wynn Horn (b) April 12, 1958

d. Mary Catherine Horn (b) June 6, 1966
e. Elton Lloyd Horn, Jr. (b) April 24, 1974
f. Horace Allen Horn (b) May 30, 1975

D. Carrie Lee Watkins (m) Phillip Murphy on March 6, 1919. He died in September 1952 and she married William Schaefer on November 12, 1955. He died Nov. 9, 1969. There were no children by either marriage. She resides in Rescue, Va.

E. Cecil R. Watkins (m) Delma Minga who was born November 23, 1906 and died January 29, 1965. They had no children. He resides in Rescue, Va.

F. Fannie Pearl Watkins (m) Arthur Moore who died in July 1951. They had two children:

(1) Virginia Moore (b) Nov. 5, 1946 (m) Conrad Barrett
(2) Marcia Watkins Moore (b) Oct. 30, 1950 married james Waddell.

Fannie Pearl Watkins married 2nd: William J. Lemmon. She died January 15, 1982.

This ends the lineage of Robert and Frances Carmines Presson.

Mary Elizabeth (Presson) Moore
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PART IV - Chapter 2

DESCENDANTS OF JOHN P. AND ELIZABETH SMITH

Elizabeth Morris Presson, daughter of Robert and Martha M. Presson (m) John Perrin Smith on Jan. 29, 1852. He was born Jan. 3, 1826 and died on Dec. 29, 1859, being only 33 years of age. The cause of his death is said to have been from a sudden and violent stomach disorder, possibly a ruptured appendix. Elizabeth died July 20, 1885. Their children:

1. William Claude Smith (March 15, 1853) (June 11, 1853)
2. Rebecca Catherine Smith (Aug. 9, 1854) (Jan. 21, 1921)
3. John Franklin Smith (March 15, 1857) (Dec. 24, 1916)

John Franklin Smith was originally named John Peter Smith but later changed his middle name to Franklin.

2. Rebecca Catherine Smith married John Wesley Wainwright on June 4, 1870. He was born April 23, 1848 and died Nov. 26, 1906. They were parents of the following children:

A. William Franklin Wainwright (July 17,1871) (June 1,1954)
B. John Wesley Wainwright (May 30, 1875) (May 15, 1951)
C. Catherine B. Wainwright (May 16,1878) (August 23,1927)
D. Edward Floyd Wainwright (April 3,1881) (October 13,1979) He did not marry.
E. George Milton Wainwright (October 3,1883) (Nov.27,1958)
F. Harry DeWitt Wainwright (May 18,1886) (January 5,1948)
G. Robert Fulton Wainwright, seventh and youngest child of Rebecca C. and John W. Wainwright was born December 19,1889 and died January 8,1957. He married Mary Carr, a teacher in the local school system prior to their marriage. They had no children. Robert and Mary lived at the old homeplace which had been willed to him by his mother, with the provision that he care for her until her death. The homeplace stayed in the family until recently.

A. William Franklin Wainwright married Hester Elizabeth (Bessie) Wornom on November 18, 1906. She was born August 9, 1879 and died October 23, 1947. They had one child:

(1) Beulah Wornom Wainwright (b) September 7, 1909 who married Coleman Ashby Green on December 28, 1929. Coleman was born May 19, 1908 and died December 4, 1963. They had three children:

a. William Ashby Green (b) Nov.22,1930 (m) Iris Mitchell. He married 2nd: Norma Harrison. His third wife is Frances Bridgewater Moore Green, widow of Thomas Carroll Moore, listed in Pt.IV-Ch.1. There are no children by either marriage.

b. John Franklin Green (b) May 28, 1938 (m) Betty Jones. They have:

aa: John Franklin Green, Jr. (b) November 19, 1958
bb: Steven Bradley Green (b) July 23, 1960

c. Wallace Coleman Green (b) Aug. 19,1944 (m) June Woodie. They have:

aa: Wallace Coleman Green, Jr. (b) June 1, 1968
bb: Rebecca Ellen Green (b) November 27, 1970

B. John Wesley Wainwright was married on January 10, 1910 to Eunice Butler who was born February 13,1882 and died June 9, 1954. They had two sons:

(1) John Wesley Wainwright, Jr. (b) August 12, 1911
(2) Donald Butler Wainwright (b) March 31, 1917

(1) John W. Wainwright, Jr. married Helen M. Byrum. They have three children:

a. John W. Wainwright, III (b) November 29, 1936
b. Helen Janet Wainwright (b) September 4, 1938
c. Thomas Randolph Wainwright (b) August 11, 1940

a. John W. Wainwright, III (m) Jo Ann Haycroft. They have three children:

aa: John W. Wainwright, IV (b) February 16, 1958
bb: Deborah Elaine Wainwright (b) December 3, 1959
cc: Kevin Michael Wainwright (b) February 21, 1961

John W. Wainwright, III (m) 2nd: Judy Carol Moore

b. Helen Janet Wainwright (m) Shirley G. Kessler. Their children are:

aa: David Gray Kessler (b) July 15, 1962
bb: Carol Lynn Kessler (b) May 28, 1966

c. Thomas Randolph Wainwright (m) Toni Sue Barnett. They have a son:

aa: Sean Howard Wainwright (b) September 6, 1968

(2) Donald Butler Wainwright (b) March 31, 1917, child of John W. and Eunice Butler Wainwright, married Mary Virginia Thomas. They have two daughters:

a. JoAnn Thomas Wainwright (b) August 23, 1939 (m) James Homer Miller. Their children are:

aa: Phillip Gregory Miller (b) May 26, 1960
bb: Julie Lynn Miller (b) December 1, 1965

b. Mary Catherine Wainwright (b) April 12, 1945 (m) Richard Paul Ware. They have two daughters:

aa: Paula Annette Ware (b) August 8, 1964
bb: Sharon Kay Ware (b) March 29, 1968

C. Catherine B. Wainwright, daughter of John W. and Rebecca C. Wainwright was born May 16, 1878 and died August 23, 1927. She was married to Robert Taylor on Feb. 21, 1899. Their only child:

(1) Catherine Taylor (1903)(1968) (m) George Riggins and they had one daughter:

a. Catherine Riggins (b) June 16, 1929; who married Richard Hartung. They have no children.

E. George Milton Wainwright, son of John W. & Rebecca C. Wainwright was born October 3, 1883 and died November 27, 1958. He was married on February 15, 1906 to Alice Louise Massenburg. They had three children:

(1) Alice Rebecca Wainwright (August 26, 1907)(Jan.4,1908)
(2) Alice Mae Wainwright (1910)(1967) (m) Manley Mitchell.

They had a daughter named Vera Caroline Mitchell.

(3) George Milton Wainwright,Jr. (b) 1920 (m) Hazel Davis.

They have:

a. Gary S. Wainwright (b) Nov. 7, 1943 (m) Lynette A. Kirkland.
b. Doris Wainwright who married Robert Mitchell.

F. Harry DeWitt Wainwright (5/18/1886)(1/05/1948) son of John W. And Rebecca C. Wainwright, married Sadie Scrimageor. Their five children and grandchildren are as follows:

(1) Doris Vernell Wainwright (b) Jan. 4, 1926
(2) John Scrimageor Wainwright (b) Jan. 29, 1929
(3) Robert Henry Wainwright (b) June 13, 1932
(4) Harry William Wainwright (b) June 4, 1934
(5) Fay Lee Wainwright (b) January 19, 1940

(1) Doris Vernell Wainwright (m) Robert Laughlin. They have:

a. Robert C. Laughlin, Jr. (b) June 17, 1951
b. Thomas Lee Laughlin (b) April 16, 1953
c. Susan Virginia Laughlin (b) July 3, 1959

(2) John Scrimageor Wainwright (m) Nancy Kerbyson. They have:

a. John Clifton Wainwright (b) October 28, 1953
b. William Neal Wainwright (b) November 29, 1959
c. Dean Lee Wainwright (b) September 13, 1961

(3) Robert Henry Wainwright married Betty Jane Portwood. Their three children are:

a. Robert Bruce Wainwright (b) March 4, 1959
b. Morris DeWitt Wainwright (b) June 1, 1963
c. Brian Neal Wainwright (b) September 10, 1966

(4) Harry William Wainwright married Nancy Carol Church. They have two children:

a. Jeffery W. Wainwright (b) January 14, 1967 (adopted)
b. Gary Alton Wainwright (b) June 8, 1968

(5) Fay Lee Wainwright married Daynelle D. Winstead. Their children are:

a. Walter Lee Wainwright (b) October 17, 1961
b. Brooks DeWitt Wainwright (b) February 9, 1963

It is interesting to note that John W. and Rebecca Catherine Wainwright originally resided on land that his father left him on the south side of Poquoson river (in the Tabb area) They traded a part of that property for land on Patrick's Creek. This was the homeplace mentioned previously. This property is located south of the road now known as Lakeside Drive and adjacent to and north of the present Yorkville road.

3. John Franklin Smith, child of John Perrin and Elizabeth Presson Smith married Ella Wade Crockett on Dec. 25, 1880. A daughter of John Tyler and Mary Ann (Tennis) Crockett, she was born October 29, 1863 and died September 2, 1891. They had three children:

A. Mary Elizabeth Smith (March 28, 1883) (November 1, 1918)
B. John Franklin Smith (December 7, 1884) (January 30, 1973)
C. Annie Rebecca Smith (June 28, 1889) (July 19, 1964)

3. After the death of his first wife, John Franklin Smith, Sr. married Mary Lou Taylor on August 4, 1892. She was born Oct. 28, 1866 and died Dec. 31, 1951. They had two children:

D. Kirby Taylor Smith (May 14, 1893) (February 5, 1971)
E. Louise Curtis Smith (February 15, 1898) (April 3, 1926)

A. Mary Elizabeth Smith was married to Charles Wornom on December 25, 1903. He was born Jan. 25, 1874 and died Oct. 16, 1944. Mary Elizabeth Smith Wornom died during the 1918 influenza epidemic. C. B. Wornom later married Annie Moore of Rockingham County, Va. She was a local school teacher at the time of their marriage on July 21, 1926. There were no children by this marriage. She died April 24, 1971. Four children were born to Charles Benton and Mary Elizabeth Smith Wornom:

(1) Ella Louise Wornom (January 24, 1906) (April 3, 1936)
(2) Hardy Herman Wornom (March 13, 1910) (August 20, 1969)
(3) John Smith Wornom (b) November 4, 1913
(4) Rose Elizabeth Wornom (b) April 3, 1918

(1) Ella Louise Wornom married William Larkin Davis in 1924. After losing three children in infancy, they had:

a. Mary Ann Elizabeth Davis (b) January 17, 1930. She married Edward M. Williamson and they have two sons:

aa. Edward Dean Williamson (b) June 13, 1954
bb. Steven Dale Williamson (b) May 12, 1956

b. William Larkin Davis, Jr. (b) September 22,1932. He married Janice Hudson and they had two children:

aa. Pamela Lynn Davis (b) March 20, 1961 (m) John Gibson. Their son:

aaa. Justin Edward Gibson was born Feb. 10, 1981

bb. William Larkin Davis, III (b) October 14, 1970

William L. Davis, Jr. married 2nd: Barbara Harris.

(2) Hardy H. Wornom, child of Charles B. and Mary E. Wornom married Florence Virginia Freeman on June 28, 1930. She is a Presson descendant; listed in Part II of this book. Their children:

a. Charles Lester Wornom (b) March 19, 1938 (m) Sandra Fay James. They divorced and he married Barbara Ann Morris, a widow, whose maiden name was Dredge.

b. Mary Virginia Wornom (b) April 17, 1944. A twin sister died at childbirth. She married Richard T. Bunting. Their daughter:

aa. Yvonne Lynn Bunting was born November 27, 1965

They divorced and Mary Virginia married Roger West.

c. Marilyn Louise Wornom (b) June 23, 1953 (m) James F. Thorne and they have one daughter:

aa. Jennifer Nicole Thorne (b) November 20, 1976

(3) John Smith Wornom, third child of Charles B. and Mary E. Wornom married Sarah Lillian Martin. There were four children by this marriage:

a. John Franklin Wornom (b) August 8, 1934 (m) Ella Mae Riley and they have three children:

aa. John Franklin Wornom, II (b) July 9, 1955. He married Judy Lynn Gildewell and they have a son:

aaa. John Franklin Wornom, III (b) January 12, 1978

bb. Daniel Eugene Wornom (b) August 12, 1956
cc. Christa Dawn Wornom (b) June 20, 1973

b. Raymond Eugene Wornom was born April 23, 1937 and died May 15, 1956.

c. Paul Benton Wornom, third child of John S. and Lillian Wornom was born June 21, 1939. He married Carol Ann Maroski and they have two children:

aa. Jad Christopher Wornom (b) January 30, 1974
bb. Carrie Amanda Wornom (b) May 8, 1976

d. Jane Elizabeth Wornom, only daughter of John S. and Lillian Wornom was born June 8, 1944. She married Ronald Medford and they had three children:

aa. Kimberly Jean Medford (b) June 19, 1962
bb. Stacey Lee Medford (b) Aug. 7, 1963. She married Kenny Welch on December 1, 1981.

cc. Tammy Jane Medford (b) January 14, 1967

They divorced and Jane married Timothy Swallow. They have three children:

dd. Stephany Louise Swallow (b) March 29, 1972
ee. Leisl Jay Swallow (b) September 15, 1974
ff. Nathan Richard Swallow (b) March 29, 1977

(4) Rose Elizabeth Wornom, fourth and youngest child of Charles B. and Mary E. Wornom was left an infant at the death of her mother in 1918. She married Laurence A. Westcott and there were three children by their marriage:

a. Nancy Louise Westcott (b) September 22, 1939, married Norman Curtis Rush and they have three children:

aa. Norman C. Rush, Jr. (b) Apr. 17,1960 (m) Rebecca Duncan
bb. Dale Wayne Rush (b) March 12, 1961
cc. Ramona Louise Rush (b) February 12, 1967

b. Frances Jeanette Westcott, second child of Laurence and Rose E. Westcott was born January 19, 1945. She married David Lee Turner and they have one child (adopted):

aa. Laurence R. Turner (b) June 29, 1980

c. Laurence Wayne Westcott (b) February 26, 1946 married Lynda Hope Vassar and they have two children:

aa. Christopher Wayne Westcott (b) April 17, 1977
bb. Dana Frances Westcott (b) October 3, 1978

This completes the lineage of Mary Elizabeth (Smith) Wornom first child of John F. Smith, Sr. and his wife Ella Smith.

B. John Franklin Smith, Jr. second child of John F. and Ella W. Smith married Rosa Hansford, who was born Nov.20,1885 and died February 24, 1918. They had two children:

(1) Mamie Smith (b) November 6, 1906
(2) Elmer Franklin Smith (b) April 16, 1909

B. John F. Smith, Jr. married 2nd: Edith Charles who was born May 1, 1896; a daughter of John Kemp and Fannie Charles. Their three children are:

(3) John Francis Smith (b) January 27, 1922
(4) Wallace Kempton Smith (b) May 13, 1929
(5) Jean Ann Smith (b) January 8, 1934

(1) Mamie Smith (m) Benjamin Franklin Moore and they had two children:

a. Agnes Marie Moore (b) July 25, 1924
b. Benjamin Franklin Moore, Jr. (b) July 15, 1926. After his parents divorced he moved to the Eastern Shore with his father and his present status is not known to this writer.

Mamie (Smith) Moore married Wiley Herman Moore in 1930 and they had three children:

c. Laura Mae Moore (b) May 31, 1931
d. Wiley Clifford Moore (b) February 14, 1933
e. Sandra Kay Moore (b) November 8, 1944 - Not married.

a. Agnes Marie Moore (m) William H. Turner in June 1942. Children:

aa. William H. Turner, III (b) December 8, 1943 (m) Vera Lucille James. They have one child:

aaa. Jana Mitchell Turner (b) October 16, 1968

bb. Ronald Stuart Turner (b) August 11, 1946 (m) Bonnie Lee Pennock. They have a daughter:

aaa. Christine Marie Turner (b) February 2, 1973

cc. Linda Lee Turner (b) July 11, 1952 (m) Weldon F. Cannon on February 21, 1976. Linda died on Sep. 9, 1980 from injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

c. Laura Mae Moore (m) Martin Edward Cole. Their children and grandchildren are:

aa. Michael Edward Cole (b) October 7, 1950 (m) Nora Virginia Cottrell. Two children born to them:

aaa. Mark Edward Cole (b) April 2, 1976
bbb. Sherry Lynne Cole (b) October 22, 1978

Michael Edward Cole was an engineer for the State Highway Department. He was murdered and left in his car on U.S. Highway 64 in Goochland County, Va. on June 28, 1978. It is believed by his family that he had uncovered evidence of "bid-rigging" by some road construction companies.

bb. Thomas Edward Cole (b) August 19, 1952 (m) Carol Ann Shipley. They have a son:

aaa. Thomas Edward Cole, Jr. (b) June 13, 1974

cc. Laura Jane Cole (b) May 20, 1955 (m) Frank D. Insley. They have two children:

aaa. Frank Davis Insley, Jr. (b) June 9, 1976
bbb. Sarah Beth Insley (b) July 29, 1980

dd. Susan Marie Cole (b) November 27, 1959
ee. Mary Ellen Cole (b) January 4, 1963
ff. Virginia Ann Cole (b) September 25, 1965

d. Wiley Clifford Moore (m) Delores Haydee Bush. They have four children:

aa. Debra Ann Moore (b) September 11, 1955 (m) Raymond M. Dubois. They have a son:

aaa. Jason Marcus Dubois (b) May 9, 1976

bb. Joselyn Alice Moore (b) July 18, 1957 (m) Curtis R. Katschman. They have a daughter:

aaa. Kristy Lynn Katschman (b) August 8, 1980

cc. Teresa Gay Moore (b) November 23, 1960 (m) Brad Marrow. They have a daughter:

aaa. Teresa Marie Marrow (b) December 21, 1979

dd. Wiley Clifford Moore, Jr. (b) August 10, 1966

(2) Elmer Franklin Smith, second child of John F. Smith, Jr. and Rosa Hansford Smith married Myrtle Ellen Stone from Reedsville, West Va. She was born November 21, 1912. They have four children:

a. Myrtle Frances Smith (August 25, 1935) (May 31, 1957)
b. Elmer Franklin Smith, Jr. (b) February 9, 1940
c. James Eldridge Smith (b) August 1, 1941
d. John William Smith (b) December 14, 1951

b. Elmer Franklin Smith, Jr. (m) Gloria F. Green. They have three children:

aa. Peggy Smith (b) November 26, 1960#
bb. Penny Smith (b) November 23, 1962#
cc. Glenn Franklin Smith (b) August 30, 1968
Children of Gloria Green by a previous marriage (adopted).#

c. James Eldridge Smith (m) Sylvia Mitchell. They have two children:

aa. Susan Smith (b) June 13, 1969
bb. Kyle Smith (b) January 19, 1974

d. John William Smith (m) Rebecca Deweese. They have a son:

aa. Casey John (b) April 19, 1979

(3) John Francis Smith, first child of John F. Smith, Jr. and his wife Edith Charles Smith married Mildred Gilbert. They have three children:

a. Deborah Ann Smith (b) March 20, 1955 (m) Dale E. Ludi. They have a son:

aa. Roy Edward Ludi (b) November 24, 1981

b. Donna Marie Smith (b) October 20, 1959
c. John F. Smith, III (b) August 5, 1961

(4) Wallace Kempton Smith married Lucy Gayle. They have four children.

a. Wallace K. Smith, Jr. (b) December 8, 1956
b. David Wayne Smith (b) June 22, 1958
c. Don Michael Smith (b) August 3, 1959
d. Marion Elizabeth Smith (b) May 12, 1963

(5) Jean Ann Smith married Raymond Krowe, Jr. They have two daughters and one grandchild:

a. Suzanne D. Krowe (b) January 7, 1957 (m) Donald James Freeman. They have a son:

aa. James Ryan Freeman (b) June 6, 1980

b. Jean Ray Krowe (b) September 17, 1959

Prior to his death in 1973 Uncle John (John F. Smith, Jr.) had several great-great grandchildren, representing five living generations, which doesn't occur very often. These fifth generation children (from him) represent twelve generations from Nicholas Presson. As his father had done before him, John F. Smith, Jr. served for many years on the Board of Supervisors for York County, Virginia.

C. Annie Rebecca Smith, third and youngest child of John Franklin Smith and Ella Wade Crockett married David Duncan White, son of Rev. John French and Martha Cowles White. They were married on June 19, 1908 by Rev. John French White who was a local Methodist Minister. They had five children:

(1) Ora Frances White (b) April 14, 1909
(2) David Duncan White, Jr. (b) June 20, 1912
(3) Mary Louise White (b) February 7, 1914
(4) Jessie Edward White (November 19, 1919) (Jan. 22, 1920)
(5) Robert Ellerson White (b) December 26, 1921

(1) Ora Frances White (m) Thomas Calvin Green who was born August 6, 1909 and died November 15, 1975. They were the parents of three sons:

a. Thomas Calvin Green, Jr. (b) November 28, 1932
b. David Franklin Green (b) February 3, 1937
c. Robert Wayne Green (b) January 6, 1942

a. Thomas Calvin Green, Jr. (m) Sarah Furtada (who was adopted by her stepfather) thus becoming Sarah Lamb. They have four children:

aa. Frances Marie Green (b) December 13, 1956
bb. Susan Claire Green (b) August 29, 1960
cc. Tammy Leigh Green (b) January 31, 1964
dd. Thomas Douglas Green (b) October 18, 1971

aa. Frances Marie (m) Robert Stephen Carroll. They have two children:

aaa. Jamie Lynn Carroll (b) May 15, 1976
bbb. Stephen Joseph Carroll (b) September 5, 1978

bb. Susan Claire (m) Steven Hollingsworth and they have a son:

aaa. Joshua Steven Hollingsworth (b) July 28, 1981

b. David Franklin Green (m) Agnes Rowe and they had one son:

aa. Russell Lee (Rusty) Green (b) October 18, 1961

David and Agnes were divorced and David married 2nd: Alice Herbert Tucker and they have two children by her previous marriage: John Tucker and Beth Tucker.

c. Robert Wayne Green (m) Barbara Lanier and they have three children:

aa. Cynthia Ann Green (b) August 5, 1963
bb. Daniel Wayne Green (b) June 18, 1966
cc. Timothy Eugene Green (b) August 3, 1970

Ora Frances (White) Green, mother and grandmother of the above listed children; whose first name Ora translates to "Shore" in latin, departed her earthly life for a more peaceful shore on Sunday, February 20, 1977.

(2) David Duncan White, Jr. (m) Althea Elizabeth Dawson and they have three children:

a. Muriel Carolyn White (b) June 1, 1935
b. David Duncan White, III (b) November 23, 1938. Single
c. Mary Elizabeth White (b) November 9, 1944

a. Muriel Carolyn (m) Frederick D. Hunt, Jr. Their children are:

aa. Carol Dianne Hunt (b) January 25, 1954
bb. Amy Lynne Hunt (b) April 17, 1962
cc. Frederick D. Hunt, III (b) July 9, 1963

aa. Dianne married Gary Crusenberry and they had a daughter:

aaa. Amy Michelle (b) November 8, 1975

Dianne divorced and married 2nd: Michael C. MacDonald.

c. Mary Elizabeth White (m) William Dye and they had two

daughters:

aa. Vickie Nanette Dye (b) May 9, 1962
bb. Kathy Lynne Dye (b) March 27, 1963

They divorced and Mary married William Thomas Moore who adopted the girls changing their names to Moore. They have two sons:

cc. Timothy Dean Moore (b) January 14, 1967
dd. Adam Thomas Moore (b) April 4, 1971

aa. Vickie Moore (m) Mark W. Concilus on July 25, 1981.

(3) Mary Louise White (m) Harry Daniel Riley who was born September 25, 1912 and died March 8, 1970. They had two children:

a. Judith Anne Riley (b) December 7, 1941
b. Harry Daniel Riley, Jr. (b) August 22, 1947

a. Judith Anne (m) James B. Johnson who was born November 4, 1933 and died December 6, 1979. Three children were born of this marriage:

aa. Debra Anne Johnson (b) January 20, 1961
bb. Patricia Anne Johnson (b) January 8, 1964
cc. James Bradley Johnson (b) November 2, 1966

aa. Debra Anne married Rodney W. Jones on Aug. 23, 1980.

b. Harry Daniel Riley, Jr. (m) Brenda A. Clarke. They have two children:

aa. Allen Daniel Riley (b) December 27, 1972
bb. Lesley Dawn Riley (b) January 12, 1978

(4) Robert Ellerson White (m) Marjorie Sykes of Spring Hope, N.C.. Children are:

a. Robert Ellerson White, Jr. (b) June 29, 1944
b. James Earl White (b) May 4, 1948
c. Nancy Rebecca White (b) November 26, 1956

a. Robert E. White, Jr. (m) Melissa Jean Howe and they have two children:

aa. Kevin Andrew White (b) November 22, 1976
bb. Deborah Suzanne White (b) June 30, 1979

b. James Earl White (m) Pamela Gayle Lowry and they have two children:

aa. James Earl White, Jr. (b) August 29, 1971
bb. Bryon Duncan White (b) April 19, 1977

c. Nancy Rebecca White (m) Daniel Ray Wolford and they have two daughters:

aa. Angela Dawn Wolford (b) April 9, 1974
bb. Ashley Elizabeth Wolford (b) July 21, 1979

D. Kirby Taylor Smith, son of John Franklin Smith, Sr. and his wife Mary Lou (Taylor) Smith married Esther Todd who was born April 3, 1897 and died August 20, 1920. They had two children:

(1) Evelyn Todd Smith (b) December 23, 1916
(2) Kirby T. Smith, Jr. (August 1, 1920) (January 26, 1921)

Kirby T. Smith later married Ethel Jackson. She was born September 12, 1903. They had two children:

(3) Ethel Louise Smith (b) September 24, 1922
(4) Kirby T. Smith, Jr. (b) September 20, 1926

(1) Evelyn Smith married Raymond Shields and they have two children:

a. Esther Mae Shields (b) September 21, 1938
b. Raymond Wayne Shields (b) September 4, 1940

a. Esther Mae Shields (m) Donald Forman and they have four children:

aa. Sheree Lynn Forman (b) September 4, 1955
bb. Donald Ray Forman (b) December 1, 1956
cc. Susan Elaine Forman (b) September 19, 1959
dd. David Kelly Forman (b) December 18, 1962

aa. Sheree Lynn married Charles Thomas Fox, Jr. and they have a son:

aaa. Jason Thomas Fox (b) September 27, 1979

bb. Donald Ray married Teresa Ann Bryant

b. Raymond Wayne Shields (m) Mary Wood and they have three children:

aa. Robin Marlene Shields (b) January 14, 1961
bb. Daniel Wayne Shields (b) September 27, 1962
cc. Cynthia Leigh Shields (b) September 17, 1964

aa. Robin married Ryland R. Thomas, Jr. and they have a son:

aaa. Ryland R. Thomas, III (b) October 20, 1981

(3) Ethel Louise Smith (m) Macklin B. Mitchell and they have two children:

a. Ronald Macklin Mitchell (b) December 20, 1942
b. Betty Lou Mitchell (b) January 1, 1944

a. Ronald married Rebecca Pickett and they have two children:

aa. Kimberly Louise Mitchell (b) December 15, 1961
bb. Matthew Bolling Mitchell (b) October 25, 1964

b. Betty Lou married John Steven Ball and they have three children:

aa. Stephanie Lee Ball (b) April 1, 1967
bb. Cynthia Louise Ball (b) August 25, 1969
cc. Frances Amanda Ball (b) October 1, 1981

(4) Kirby T. Smith, Jr. (m) Lillian Gertrude Taylor. They have five children:

a. Nathan Taylor Smith (b) September 12, 1952
b. Timothy Lee Smith (b) September 20, 1954
c. Linda Gayle Smith (b) January 6, 1956
d. Nancy Lillian Smith (b) July 4, 1962
e. James Kirby Smith (b) May 6, 1964

b. Timothy Smith married Susan Almond and they have a daughter:

aa. Margaret Elaine Smith (b) March 1, 1980

c. Linda Gayle Smith married Kenneth Lee Morris and they have a daughter:

aa. Rachel Yvonne Morris (b) November 5, 1977

E. Louise Curtis Smith daughter of John Franklin Smith,Sr. and his wife Mary Lou (Taylor) Smith married Robert Fulton Presson who was born March 27, 1897 and died October 24, 1966. Two children were born of this marriage:

(1) Robert Franklin Presson (b) June 30, 1919
(2) Mary Frances Presson (b) February 12, 1926

(1) Robert Franklin Presson married Adeline Pierce and they have a son:

a. John Wayne Presson (b) November 22, 1959

(2) Mary Frances Presson married Robert H. Riley, Jr. They have no children. She was left an infant at the death of her mother and was adopted by John T. and Emma Burcher, therefore being raised as Mary Frances Burcher. Emma was formerly Emma Presson, sister of Robert F. Presson.

This concludes the lineage of John Perrin Smith and his wife Elizabeth (Presson) Smith through November, 1981. It is hoped that future family changes will be kept current by the many families involved so that their descendants will have a chronological record of family events.

Elizabeth Morris Presson
Wife of John Perrin Smith

Elizabeth and her husband John are buried in the T. F. Smith cemetary, Tabb, Va. The epitaph on the tombstone of John Perrin Smith reads as follows: "Behold you stranger passing by, as you are now so once was I - As I am now, you soon must be, prepare yourself to follow me."

PART IV - Chapter 3

DESCENDANTS OF THOMAS F. AND REBECCA C. SMITH

Rebecca, daughter of Robert and Martha M. Presson married Thomas F. Smith at 6 P.M. February 24, 1853. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. William Tabb at the bride's home.

Thomas F. Smith was born January 24, 1827 and died March 10, 1896. He served with a Confederate Cavalry Unit during the War. He and Rebecca were the parents of nine children, as listed below. Rebecca died September 8, 1904.

1. William W. Smith (December 2, 1853) (March 3, 1877)
2. Mollie B. Smith (August 22, 1857) (August 13, 1887)
3. Thomas F. Smith (May 11, 1859) (October 7, 1892)
4. John Magruder Smith (August 13, 1861) (May 11, 1907)
5. Rebecca F. Smith (September 8, 1864) (June 27, 1939)
6. George W. Smith (June 30, 1868) (August 22, 1873)
7. Ellie W. Smith (January 10, 1870) (July 31, 1872)
8. George R. Smith (January 29, 1874) (June 16, 1874)
9. Claudius E. Smith (September 23, 1876) (April 8, 1951

1. William W. Smith apparently died unmarried.

2. Mollie B. Smith married Stokely Croswell on April 28, 1886. They had no children.

3. Thomas F. Smith married Jenny Thomas on October 24, 1884. They had three children:

A. Ellie Smith (July 26, 1885) (September 1967)
B. Magruder C. Smith (January 17, 1887) (July 29, 1952)
C. Sallie Smith (Born in 1889 - Died in July 1966)

A. Ellie married John Gibbs King who was born May 28, 1886 and died in January 1968. They had three children:

(1) Elsie Allen King (b) March 26, 1910 (Unmarried)
(2) John Granville King (b) October 19, 1912
(3) Nelson Magruder King (b) January 18, 1915

(2) John G. King married Dorothy Abbott Gray who was born August 10, 1918. They have two children:

a. Ann Power King (b) October 5, 1943
b. John Granville King,Jr. (b) February 22, 1947

a. Ann Power King married Elbert Barton Barker, Jr.

(3) Nelson Magruder King married Ruth Yeatman Woodham. They have no children.

B. Magruder C. Smith married Nola Elliott who was born March 29, 1892 and died February 5, 1976. They had one son:
(1) Franklin Smith who married Douglas Fisher. They reside in Chicago, Illinois.

C. Sallie Smith married Charles Smith. They had no children.

4. John Magruder Smith married Sallie Sarah Elizabeth Crandol on July 14, 1887 at the home of her Aunt, Mrs. George Levin Smith, at Smithville by Rev. Webb. They had five children:

A. Annie Phillips Smith (b) May 6, 1889
B. Rebecca Frances Smith (b) August 29, 1893
C. Mollie Belle Smith (b) May 11, 1896
D. John Magruder Smith (May 15, 1903) (May 28, 1967)
E. Gladys Lee Smith (b) July 5, 1909

A. Annie Phillips Smith (m) John Lawson Hudgins. They had one son: (1) John Lawson Hudgins, Jr. (b) April 2, 1913. He married Jean Hall who is now deceased. They had no children.

B. Rebecca Frances married Hunter Hopkins. They had one daughter: (1) Gwendolyn Louise Hopkins (b) August 6, 1915. She married James H. Godwin who was born April 26, 1916 and died November 22, 1980. Four children were born of this marriage:

a. James H. Godwin, II (b) April 11, 1943
b. Susan Tilford Godwin (b) October 25, 1947
c. Ruth West Godwin (b) August 7, 1949 (Unmarried)
d. Sara Frances Godwin (b) August 10, 1954

a. James H. Godwin, II (m) Carol Harris and they have two children: aa. James H. Godwin, III (b) April 25, 1966
bb. Nan Darlington Godwin (b) March 23, 1969

b. Susan Tilford Godwin married Olin C. Coffman

d. Sara Frances Godwin was married to Donald Leslie McNamara on May 29, 1982.

C. Mollie Belle Smith married Gustavus Rene Jaroch. There were no children by this marriage.

D. John Magruder Smith, Jr. (m) Frances Blankenbaker. Their son:

(1) John Magruder Smith, III (b) March 29, 1950 is not married.

E. Gladys Lee Smith (m) Luther Earl George who was born Nov. 26, 1903 and died May 7, 1981. They had no children.

5. Rebecca F. Smith (m) Charles Thomas Crandol who was born December 4, 1863 and died July 24, 1937. They had three children:

(1) Thomas J. Crandol (m) Frances Capps. No children.
(2) Mollie Smith Crandol (Sep. 3, 1888) (Dec. 20, 1959) She did not marry.
(3) Charles Tilford Crandol (May 27, 1900) (May 25, 1973) He married Hettie Jenkins. No children were born to them.

6. George W. Smith; 7. Ellie W. Smith and 8. George R. Smith died in infancy.

9. Claudius E. Smith did not marry

The descendants of Rebecca are not as numerous as those of her sister Elizabeth and brothers Robert and William.

Rebecca C. Presson
Wife of Thomas F. Smith

PART IV - Chapter 4

DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM M. PRESSON, SR.

William Morris Presson, Sr. and his wife Mary Catherine Smith (August 9, 1835) (Sep.27,1875) had four children. Two daughters, Emma and Mollie died young and are buried beside the graves of their parents in the old T.F. Smith Cemetary. They had two sons:

1. Carroll Columbus Presson (Dec. 23, 1865) (Dec. 25, 1935).
Note: YC Marriage Records show his name as Callohill but family bible records show it as Carroll. As previously stated it is believed that Callohill was pronounced Carroll.

2. William Morris Presson, Jr. (March 7, 1872) (Feb. 11, 1943)

William Morris Presson, Sr. married 2nd: Alice Emma White. They were married May 23, 1883. They had three children:

3. Irene Presson - Died unmarried

4. William Herman Presson (September 11, 1888) (January, 1968). He was known as Herbert Presson.

5. Archie Presson - Very little information is available on him. He moved to Maryland when a young man. It is known that his wife's name is Lucy; they had a son, Norman who married and has two daughters. One is named Sandra.

1. Carroll C. Presson (m) Ida J. Wainwright on July 7, 1890. She was born October 22, 1869 and died April 3, 1898. They had three children:

A. George Millard Presson (July 28, 1892) (March 12, 1918) He died in World War I while in the U. S. Army.

B. Mary A. Presson (March 28, 1894) (June 17, 1894)

C. Elizabeth Presson (m) John Banks and they had six children: Florence, Hattie Lewis, Bessie, Norman, Milton and John Banks, Jr. The parents separated and Elizabeth moved to Maryland.

Carroll C. Presson (m) 2nd: Sarah M. Topping, June 6, 1899. She was born in 1874; the daughter of J.N. and Nancy Topping of York County. Sarah died young; leaving an infant daughter:
D. Ida Mae Presson, who was raised by Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Watson. She married and lived in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Carroll Presson (m) 3rd: Margaret May Davis Foxwell. She was born Jan. 5, 1877. She was a Davis, and was previously married to Lester Foxwell. They had five children:

E. Ethel D. Presson (b) November 3, 1906
F. Calvin Christopher Presson (b) March 16, 1908
G. Louise Georgia Presson (b) September 2, 1910
H. Noreen Presson (b) August 28, 1912
I. Margaret Presson (b) May 30, 1915

E. Ethel Presson (m) Ernest O. Hogge, Nov. 22, 1925. Three children were born to them:

(1) Oscar T. Hogge (Jan. 29, 1927) (Oct. 6, 1930)
(2) Robert Earl Hogge (b) November 11, 1929
(3) Frances Hogge (b) December 19, 1933

(2) Robert Earl Hogge (m) Ida Lou Boom and they reside in Eden Prairie, Minnesota. They have four children:

a. Marcy Ann Hogge (b) July 20, 1960
b. Linda Ann Hogge (b) December 18, 1962
c. David Lee Hogge (b) July 13, 1966
d. Janet Leigh Hogge (b) May 22, 1970

(3) Frances married Dalton McLawhorn and they have two sons:

a. Barry McLawhorn (b) February 5, 1954
b. Wade Lee McLawhorn (b) October 3, 1960

F. Calvin C. Presson married Lois Moore. They had two children:

(1) Lois Anne Presson (b) June 19, 1937
(2) Phillip Collin Presson (b) February 2, 1942

(1) Lois Anne Presson (m) Donald P. Davis and two children were born of this marriage:

a. Christopher Keith Davis (b) July 17, 1962
b. Leonard Kevin Davis (b) October 11, 1965
Lois Anne Presson died on August 6, 1981.

(2) Phillip Presson married Lynda Wyatt and they had a son:

a. Phillip C. Presson, Jr. (b) December 3, 1964
Phillip and Lynda divorced and Phillip (m) 2nd: Sandra Sue Newman and they have:

b. Christopher N. Presson (b) March 10, 1966 (adopted)#, #Sandra's son by a previous marriage.
c. Susan Elena Presson (b) November 9, 1971
d. Katie Elizabeth Presson (b) October 25, 1980

G. Louise Presson married Walter F. Shields and they have four children:

(1) Charles P. Shields (b) December 25, 1930
(2) Elsie Mae Shields (b) October 28, 1934
(3) Carroll Thomas Shields (b) May 27, 1938
(4) George Wayne Shields (b) Feb. 17, 1943)Not married.

(1) Charles P. Shields (m) Lois Wilkins. Their children are:

a. Rebecca Sue Shields (b) September 13, 1956
b. Charles Preston Shields (b) May 18, 1962

a. Rebecca Sue Shields (m) James R. Nelson and they have:

aa. James R. Nelson, Jr. (b) July 3, 1976
bb. Carmen Marie Nelson (b) May 16, 1978

(2) Elsie Mae Shields (m) Donald Hilt. They have four daughters:

a. Ina Lou Hilt (b) November 9, 1954
b. Cindy Marie Hilt (b) April 6, 1957
c. Donna Lynn Hilt (b) October 18, 1958
d. Teresa Ann Hilt (b) January 1, 1965

a. Ina Lou Hilt (m) Edward V. Redfern and they have a daughter:

aa. Aimee Ina Redfern (b) June 4, 1977

b. Cindy Marie Hilt (m) Robert Emerson and they have a daughter:

aa. Lauren Kay Emerson (b) October 28, 1979

c. Donna Lynn Hilt (m) Thad Stamper

(3) Carroll Thomas Shields (m) Beatrice Teagle and they have:

a. Suzanne Marlene Shields (b) January 27, 1962
b. Mark Thomas Shields (b) September 1, 1972

H. Noreen Presson (m) Clifton Johnson. They had one son:
(1) Robert C. Johnson (b) October 17, 1946. He married Marilyn Hill and they have:
a. Robert Clifton Johnson, Jr. (b) August 19, 1978
b. Lonnie Clifton Johnson (b) March 30, 1981

I. Margaret Presson married Carroll White on March 7, 1945. They had no children. He died April 10, 1957

2. William Morris Presson, Jr. and Margaret Belle Presson were married by Rev. John French White on May 11,1892. Belle, as she was known to her friends, was born February 2, 1871 and died June 9, 1938. They had four children:

A. Claude Lee Presson (Sep. 27, 1894) (Oct. 26, 1965)
B. Robert Fulton Presson (March 27, 1897) (Oct. 24, 1966)
C. Mary Elizabeth Presson (b) September 17, 1899
D. Emma Belle Presson (b) May 9, 1904

A. Claude L. Presson (m) Frances Elizabeth Hornsby on May 27, 1917. She was born March 25, 1898. They have one son:
(1) Claude Adrian Presson (b) October 14, 1918 (m) Ellen Elizabeth Buschart. They have three children:

a. Mark Adrian Presson (b) February 9, 1954
b. Maryellen Presson (b) November 23, 1955
c. Elizabeth Anne Presson (b) March 17, 1960

a. Mark A. Presson (m) Sandra Lea Gehrke on June 12,1976.

b. Maryellen Presson (m) Kazumitsu Fujihashi,Mar.16,1979.

(1) Claude Adrian Presson has served for many years as a missionary. He has been in Tokyo, Japan since 1952.

B. Robert F. Presson married Louise Curtis Smith. Their descendants are listed in Pt. IV, Chapter 2 of this book. He married 2nd: Hazel Moore on December 22, 1928. They had three children:

(1) Delma Marjorie Presson (b) September 3, 1930
(2) Wallace Fulton Presson (b) October 16, 1935
(3) Walter Fay Presson (b) November 2, 1937

(1) Delma Presson (m) John Bristow and they have two daughters:

a. Deborah Anne Bristow (b) June 30, 1953. She married Gregory B. Zobel. They are divorced.

b. Donna Marie Bristow (b) December 1, 1957

(2) Wallace Presson (m) Mildred Mitchell and they had two sons: a. William Jeffery Presson (b) September 4, 1957
b. Robert Fay Presson (b) December 27, 1958

Wallace F. Presson (m) 2nd: Gracie Stanley and they have a child: c. Wanda Gail Presson (b) July 5, 1965

a. William Jeffery Presson (m) Carol Lozar and they have: aa. Leora Nacole Presson (b) May 7, 1977

b. Robert Fay Presson was adopted by John and Delma Bristow and raised as Robert Fay Bristow.

(3) Walter Fay Presson (m) Judith Leigh Hodge and their children are: a. Kimberly Dawn Presson (b) May 11, 1960
b. Kelly Scott Presson (b) February 19, 1966

They divorced and Walter Fay married Barbara Middlebrook.

C. Mary E. Presson (m) William R. Moore on Dec. 11, 1918. He was born August 17, 1898 and died March 14, 1977. They had five children:

(1) Elsie Lorraine Moore (b) October 9, 1919
(2) Robert Aubrey Moore (Feb. 5, 1924) (Sep. 21. 1974)
(3) Norman Wallace Moore (b) May 2, 1927
(4) Jean Elizabeth Moore (b) June 17, 1933
(5) Janice Presson Moore (b) February 23, 1938

(1) Elsie married Wallace Jerome Forrest on Feb.17, 1939. He was born May 19, 1918 and died February 13, 1981. They had: a. Shirley Anne Forrest (b) December 25, 1943
b. Mary Lynne Forrest (b) August 2, 1954

a. Shirley Anne (m) Don R. Joynes (Now divorced). Their children: aa. Kathy Lynne Joynes (b) October 22, 1962
bb. David Michael Joynes (b) May 17, 1968
cc. Lori Anne Joynes (b) December 26, 1973

b. Mary Lynne Forrest (m) Fitzhugh Merideth Jones, Jr.

(2) Robert Aubrey Moore (m) Margaret Ruthell Doughty. They had:

a. Sharon Leigh Moore (b) January 23, 1947
b. Larry Spencer Moore (b) March 25, 1950

a. Sharon married Raoul James Kister and they have a son: aa. William Stephen Kister (b) May 12, 1972

b. Larry married Pamela Rogerson and they have a child:
aa. Amanda Ruthell Moore (b) May 7, 1977

(3) Norman W. Moore (m) Vergie Mae Ambrose. They have two sons: a. Norman Wallace Moore, Jr. (b) December 24, 1953
b. Paul Thomas Moore (b) October 30, 1958

a. Norman W. Moore,Jr. (m) Diane Ives. They divorced and he married 2nd: Elizabeth Louise Lusk. There are no children by either marriage.

b. Paul Thomas Moore (m) Virginia Strom. They have a child:
aa. Cristy Marie Moore (b) December 4, 1978

(4) Jean E. Moore (m) Joe Junior Bullins. They divorced and she married Edward Eugene Wood and they have a daughter:
a. Patricia Ann Wood (b) January 3, 1968

(5) Janice P. Moore (m) Roy T. Wood. They are divorced.

D. Emma Belle Presson (m) John Thomas Burcher on September 7, 1920. He was born March 31, 1897 and died June 28, 1973. They had no children but adopted Mary Frances, daughter of Robert F. and Louise Smith Presson. See Pt. IV, Chapter

5. William Herman (Herbert) Presson, son of Wm. M. Presson, Sr. and his wife Alice Emma, married Lessie May Foxwell. She was born Feb. 16, 1895 and died March 18, 1975. They had three children:

A. William Herman Presson (b) September 11, 1915
B. Pauline Presson (b) November 8, 1918
C. Brooklyn W. Presson (b) February 16, 1925

A. William H. Presson (m) Julia Butler. They have two children: (1) Julia Irene Presson (b) April 9, 1942
(2) William H. Presson,Jr. (b) October 15, 1945

(1) Julia Irene (m) Ronald Mills. They had four daughters:

a. Rhonda Lynn Mills (b) February 26, 1961
b. Julie Gail Mills (b) May 31, 1962
c. Lisa Irene Mills (Feb. 16, 1966) (June 16, 1982)
d. Elizabeth Robin Mills (b) January 20, 1970

a. Rhonda Lynn Mills (m) Logan Mannis
b. Julia Gail Mills (m) Charles M. Thomas. They have a son: aa. Charles M. Thomas, Jr. (b) May 13, 1981

(2) William H. Presson, Jr. (m) Nannie F. Morris. They have: a. Kristi Renee Presson (b) June 7, 1966
b. Lori Anne Presson (b) July 3, 1971

B. Pauline Presson (m) Henry Phillips. They have two sons:
(1) Donald Henry Phillips (b) July 14, 1938
(2) Terry Presson Phillips (b) April 28, 1953 (Single)

(1) Donald H. Phillips (m) Frances Young and they have:
a. Terrie Marie Phillips (b) March 23, 1961
b. Angela Pauline Phillips (b) February 10, 1966
c. Donald Henry Phillips, Jr. (b) April 8, 1969

C. Brooklyn W. (Brooks) Presson (m) Pearl Wilson. They have a daughter:
(1) Sandra Presson (b) November 5, 1945. She married Bernard Kmieciak and they have two sons:
a. Michael David Kmieciak (b) April 12, 1971
b. Jeffrey Brian Kmieciak (b) March 21, 1974

This concludes the lineage of William Morris Presson, Sr.

CONCLUSION

This ends the "Presson Lineage" through 1981 with several 1982 transactions that were reported to me. It is hoped that the various families will record future events in their families so that the generations that follow will have knowledge of their ancestry.

It appears that many people are taking a renewed interest in their family background. The important thing that so many neglect until it is too late is to contact that elderly Aunt or Grandparent and write down the things that they are able to tell you about the family.

It has been a pleasure meeting so many relatives while compiling this genealogy and of hearing so many interesting stories connected with the "Presson Family", - such as the Presson a number of years back, I am not sure which one, that gambled away a sizeable piece of real estate one morning before breakfast.

Other interesting things worth recording: - The fourth child of Thomas F. and Rebecca Presson Smith was named John Magruder Smith. He was born in August 1861. This was shortly after the Battle of Big Bethel and Colonel (later General), John Bankhead Magruder was very popular at the time, thereby the name Magruder which follows in that family to this day.

Most of the Presson men seemed to have a love for hunting dogs, especially for bird hunting. My Uncle John Smith told of the time that his Uncle William M. Presson, Sr. came across the creek in his small boat from the Seaford side and on reaching the Fish Neck side his bird dog jumped out of the boat on Mr. Jim Wynne's property, whereby Mr. Wynne, who raised sheep, promptly shot him. Mr. Presson had to be restrained to prevent him from taking a gun in search of Mr. Wynne.

Mr. Wm. M. Presson, Jr. (known as "Bill Blue") had a dog that I remember as a young boy, that he had trained. When he asked who could shoot birds the best and naming other men's names he would finally name "Bill Blue" at which time the dog would pick up the biscuit at his feet. He did the same trick with the names of Presidents, naming Herbert Hoover at the time.

This book has been a labor of love. If I had not wished to share this information with others, I would have pursued other hobbies. - The author.